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FORD'S PEACE PARTY

The Journey Through German Territory

J. E. Jones.

Eight weeks ago Mrs. Jones and I started for Europe as members of the Ford Peace Party, aboard the good ship Oscar II. My part in the movement has been quite negligible; but in my individual capacity I have written a great deal, the most of which, when analyzed, becomes a plain travel story. It has been a pleasure, when I could, to recount the progress of the expedition, and tell how it has risen above the difficulties which threaten to engulf it, and to do what lay within its power to promote the interests of peace and bring an end to the war. I am convinced that the great cause of Peace and Humanity has been materially benefitted by the Ford Peace Party. I base this opinion on the belief that we accomplished the things for which the expedition was planned.

The popular pilgrimage that left New York on December 4th was intended to advertise peace; to create public sentiment in the neutral countries, and to disband after perfecting a permanent organization at The Hague. All these aims have been accomplished. Now we are on the way home to resume life's regular work. But we shall wish and pray for the success of the permanent organization at The Hague.

One of the designs in the planning of the Ford Peace Pilgrimage was to startle people. Illustrious peace workers reasoned that the quiet and more orderly methods had failed to attract the attention of the world. Something unusual appeared to be desirable, and so the Peace Ship expedition was brought forward. The newspapers treated the enterprise with ridicule, and the sheep who follow the headlines added to the din. Some of the newspapers sent their representatives on the Peace Ship, and in turn they sent back the most sensational reports they could conjure. I will agree to the charge that we suffered in consequence of some unwise leadership, and part of the selections were made by Mr. Ford, while others were evidently self appointed. Everything moved so swiftly that grievous mistakes were made; and there was a lamentable lack of democracy in the proceedings. Madam Rosika Schwimmer, a brilliant woman with a great sincerity of purpose, but with a misunderstanding of American ways, dominated the party, and was doubtless responsible for most of the acts of rebellion among the members. The instances of discontent that resulted were not important, but they afforded the opportunities the newspaper wolves desired, and by aid of the wireless, and in conversation with foreign newspaper people, they scattered their poison and libel. One genteel rowdy represented a New York newspaper that is notorious on two continents on account of the misinformation it has injected into news of the war. When we were arriving in our first port in Norway a boat came out to meet us, and a distinguished looking gentleman stood in the bow. The newspaper correspondent had projected himself as far forward as he could in our ship and proceeded to yell over and over again the Norwegian word, "skoll" which he had learned to use in hoisting his numerous drinks. This was the first greeting from the Peace Ship to Europe. Is it any wonder that the Norwegians looked us over carefully before lending us their cooperation; particularly in view of the further fact that as soon as the Norwegian newspaper men came on board the "journalist" mentioned, and other New York writers, took them in tow before they could reach Mr. Ford's cabin, and pumped them full of malicious misinformation. At the German frontier, in the presence of the German officers, the same newspaper man I have mentioned above, picked a needless quarrel with another correspondent, at the risk of causing embarassment to the whole party. Such instances were common, and are only cited to illustrate the attitude of a very few journalists. Unfortunately these were the men who were covering the story by wireless. Undoubtedly there was a premeditated attempt before the Oscar II sailed from New York to discredit the work for peace. No expedition ever was more misrepresented, and in consequence more misunderstood.

Notwithstanding every difficulty, the firm, honest intent that gave birth to the enterprise, remained with nearly everyone and formed their purpose to

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GOULD'S ACADEMY

School closed March 10 for a ten days' vacation.

Miss Nellie Whitmore of the Academy faculty is spending her vacation in Waterville.

Mrs. Bessie Sloan has returned to Holden Hall after an absence of five weeks on account of illness.

Mr. John Chase of Bluehill and Miss Richmond of Byron will remain at Holden Hall during the short spring recess.

A new hard wood floor is being placed in the small recitation room, so called. The work is being done by Mr. Fred Clark.

Mr. Harold W. Rand, who was granted leave of absence during the winter term, will resume his duties as Sub-Master at the Academy with the opening of the spring term. Mr. Parker B. Stinson, who has been substituting for Mr. Rand, has returned to his home in Wiscasset.

The class parts of the senior class of Gould's Academy have been assigned as follows:

Salutatory—Harold Chapman.
Valedictory—Ermine Rabideau.
Class History—Hazel Arno.
Class Prophecy—Helen Abbott.
Class Oration—George Mundt.
Address to Undergraduates—James Hayford
Presentation of Class Gift to School—Ruth Elliott
Presentation of Gifts to Class—Florence Chapman
Class Will—Benson Norton.
Ode—Anson Kendall.

ISAAC S. MORRILL.

Isaac S. Morrill, well known as a citizen and business man of Bethel passed away this morning, March 15, at his home on Mill Hill.

Mr. Morrill was born in Raymond, Maine, Jan. 21, 1849. A part of his early life was spent in Albany but for thirty-three years he has been a resident of Bethel, and for twenty-four years in the house where he died.

For thirty-nine years he has been interested in the lumber business, the greater part of that time owning and managing the mills on Mill Brook which last year became a part of the Bethel Inn property and have since been torn down.

Nov. 10, 1870, he married Miss Leona M. Coburn of Albany, who after these many years of happy and helpful home life, was able to minister to him in the months of failing health and the pain and weakness of the final sickness.

His three children all live in Bethel: Mrs. Frank P. Abbott, Mrs. Levi Brown and Auranus M. Morrill. Besides these there are seven grandchildren, a brother and four sisters to mourn his loss. The brother, David S., is a resident of Rhode Island. The sisters are Mrs Sarah Mills of Norway; Mrs. S. M. Coburn of Bethel; Mrs. Mary W. Ferren of Rhode Island, and Mrs. Margaret Sanborn of South Dakota.

Mr. Morrill has been a man of high character and business standing, a hard worker when his health permitted, a useful citizen.

He has long been a regular attendant at the Methodist church and since 1891 has been enrolled as a member, for the most of that time serving also in some official capacity.

The funeral service will be at the home on Friday at 10 A. M. The burial will be in Mason.

REGISTERED PUPILS.

In The County of Oxford.

According to figures given out at the office of the superintendent of schools there are in Oxford County 6,483 pupils registered in the common schools of which number 3,335 are boys and 3,148 are girls, the average daily attendance for the past year was 5,107 and the average length in days of the school year was 163.

The following table shows the number of pupils registered, the average daily attendance and the average length in days of the school year for the towns and plantations of Oxford County:

Albany,	114	78	149
Andover,	152	118	165
Bethel,	329	243	164
Brownfield,	153	111	161
Buckfield,	183	125	160
Byron,	37	29	170
Canton,	179	142	180
Denmark,	87	77	133
Dixfield,	203	159	159
Fryeburg,	218	176	173
Gilead,	23	17	145
Grafton,	6	2	135
Greenwood,	150	140	146
Hanover,	26	19	163
Hartford,	117	79	135
Hebron,	142	91	159
Hiram,	128	123	180
Lovell,	129	87	140
Mason,	14	7	130
Mexico,	541	468	175
Newry,	40	26	140
Norway,	440	383	170
Oxford,	176	144	170
Paris,	587	475	170
Peru,	151	121	170
Porter,	159	113	15
Roxbury,	64	45	143
Rumford,	1,299	1,069	180
Stoneham,	61	45	143
Stow,	42	29	165
Sumner,	152	111	130
Sweden,	60	48	132
Upton,	37	29	145
Waterford,	156	122	148
Woodstock,	155	109	130
Plantations.			
Lincoln,	Returns incomplete		
Magalloway,	21	18	180
Milton,	29	22	130
Totals,	6,483	5,107	163

CHAPMAN CONCERT

Best Concert Ever Given

We keep thinking every year that Prof. Chapman has given us the best concert he ever will but he alway comes around the next year with something a little better. And this year was no exception.

The Criterion Male Quartette was certainly all that he claimed it would be and a little more. With voices blending perfectly and each man an artist they held the audience enthralled, and all were of the same opinion that it was the best quartette they had heard.

Especially effective was Mr. Chapman's "Dreamland," and for the encore the piece was repeated with Director Chapman at the piano. "The Sandman," a soothing negro lullaby by Protheroe and the gay "rub-a-dub" of "The Little Red Drum" were great favorites and were followed by "Little Cotton Dolly," as an encore. Then there were Dudley Buck's "Hark! the Trumpet" and "Twilight," and a drinking song and to wind up, a humorous son, "Sally King," given with much drollery, and a Scotch song, with bagpipe accompaniment, original with the quartette, which made a big hit and was repeated.

The solo parts were well received and stamped the men as the true artists they are.

Miss Florence Austin the violinist was well remembered from last year and added to her many admirers by her graciousness and the artistic rendering of her selections. It is safe to say that she will always be a favorite in Bethel.

We all know what an addition Prof. Chapman is and it is no use to say anything about his accompaniments or the little speech that he always makes. Bethel is truly proud of him and glad to claim him as a citizen, for he has done more to put Bethel on the map than any other one person.

PROGRAM.

Hark! the Trumpet, Dudley Buck
Criterion Quartette.
Beloved It is Morn, Alyward
Mr. John Young.
Paraphrase on Faust, Gounod-D'Alard
Miss Florence Austin.
Dreamland, Chapman
Criterion Quartette.
A Song of Steel, Spross
Mr. Donald Chalmers.
(a) The Swan, Saint Saens
(b) Hejie Kati, Hubay
Miss Florence Austin.
(a) Sandman, Protheroe
(b) Drum, Gibson
Criterion Quartette.
Parted, Tosti
Horatio Rench.
(a) Menuet, Boccherini-Musin
(b) Valse de Concert, Musin
Miss Florence Austin.
Twilight, Dudley Buck
Criterion Quartette.
Fantaisie on a Theme of Hayden, Leonard
Miss Florence Austin.
"Humorous Selections,"
Criterion Quartette.

BAND CONCERT, MARCH 30.

The Bethel band are planning for another concert and ball to be given in Odeon Hall, Thursday evening, Mar. 30. The proceeds are to go towards providing band suits.

New music and new features will make this concert better than the last one and it is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

GRANGE NEWS

CANTON GRANGE.

Canton Grange had a poultry day, Saturday, with a good attendance. The first and second degrees were conferred on four candidates. An appetizing dinner was served, several visitors being present. After music by the choir and a piano duet, Mrs. Helen Mitchell gave a paper on poultry. A piano solo by Mrs. W. F. Roberts was followed by a talk on poultry by Mrs. Estella C. Briggs. Herbert M. Tucker, who was the speaker of the day, gave a good talk on the subject. The meeting closed with singing.

BETHEL GRANGE.

Notwithstanding the very bad traveling last Thursday evening Bethel Grange held their regular meeting. There were a goodly number present after the business session the Graces served refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee, followed by a social hour. The following literary program was prepared:

Roll Call, Clippings
Opening Song, Grange Choir
Topic: "How shall we improve our Grange during the coming year?"
Discussed by all
Reading, Ida Packard
Song, Bernice Spearrin
Discussion:—"What can we do to make each member feel his responsibilty to the Lecturer?" Opened by our Worthy Master, followed by others.
Reading, Marie Brown
Closing Piece, Choir

NEW CENTURY POMONA GRANGE.

New Century Pomona Grange met with West Peru Grange, Wednesday, March 8. A good number were in attendance. The meeting was called to order at 10.30 by Worthy Master O. L. Varney. Pro tem appointments: Overseer, G. L. Rowe; Chaplain, Emma Austin; Flora, Etta Hall; Pomona, Mrs. Given. Report of granges, eleven granges were represented, all bringing words of good cheer. Mrs. Retta Newman, a member of Excelsior Pomona was present and gave a good report from Franklin County granges. Mrs. and Miss Judkins of Upton were also present and brought words of encouragement from their grange. Music was furnished throughout the day by West Peru Grange with Mrs. Anna Arris at the piano. A very cordial welcome was extended to the visitors by Mrs. Carrie Dillingham, lecturer of W. Peru Grange. At the sister's half hour, the topic, "How can a woman make her home most attractive with limited means?" was opened by Mrs. C. C. Luce followed by many sisters and brothers, music followed. Dinner was then announced and all marched to the dining hall below, where a delicious repast was served by the ladies of West Peru Grange. An hour of sociability was greatly enjoyed by all. At a little past 1 o'clock the Worthy Master again called to order and declared an open meeting during the lecturer's program. Music was the first followed by an address by the Lecturer, Mrs. May P. Robinson on "Rope Production;" Mrs. Robinson had a fine exhibit of manilla and sisal fiber, also the manufactured rope in its various stages, from the beginning to the finished product. Hon. Waldo Pettengill was then introduced and gave a most excellent address on "Better Markets and Better Seeds." Questions and discussions followed. Reading, Ira Wing. Mrs. Anna Arris then gave a very pleasing response to the welcome extended, thanking the Patrons of West Peru Grange for all kindness shown. Much of the entertainment was omitted owing to the lateness of the hour. Closed in form. The next meeting will be with Buckfield Grange, Wednesday, April 12.

NORWAY GRANGE.

The meeting of Norway Grange held on March 11, was largely attended and a busy session. It was voted to invite Franklin Grange and Paris Grange to meet with Norway Grange on April 8, being the second Saturday in April. Pomological meeting March 21. Dining committee: D. E. F. G. and H. Sister Lizzie Howe, chairman. Next Saturday, March 18, a special meeting will be held, devoted to degree work in the forenoon, after which the Boys' Club will be fully organized by Professor Yeaton and Mr. Mitchell. There is to be a Girls' Club, also, if sufficient interest is manifested and that seems assured. There will be no contest work presented, but attendance will count. Dining committee: U. W. Y. and A. B. and C., chairman Sister Hattie Brown. A short program will be presented by the Worthy Lecturer as follows:

Piano Duet, Adeline DeCoster, Ida Morrill
Song, Grange Chorus
Violin and Piano, A. M. Dunham, Eva Jackson
Reading, Ora Howe
Song, Girls' Chorus
Original Poem, (By special request), Annie Goodwin

To resume, the first and second degrees were given in the forenoon at the last meeting. There were several visitors present. Twelve applications for membership were received. After dinner an open meeting was held until the literary work was presented. Captains Godwin and Young with their loyal followers are presenting interesting programs. The lecturer's period was well responded to.

Piano Selection, Adeline DeCoster
Topic: "Is a scientific farmer a strong factor for improvement in his community?" Discussed by Brothers Pingree, Cox, Pierce, Brown, Delano.
An interesting paper on, "Nutritive value of vegetables," was given by Sister Merriam.
Extract from State Grange report relating to the Farmers' Union, Worthy Lecturer
Reading, Sister W. C. Perry
Lecturer's period, March 25:
Music.
Topic, "Economic value of a garden," Opened by Sister Issie Cox, followed by discussion.
Reading, Mildred Bradbury
Topic: "Location of the garden and the preparation of the soil," Brethers Chas. Frost, Oscar Cox, Alvin Brown.
Motto for the day. Sister Issie Howe
Old folks ball, Friday evening, Mar. 17.

VILLAGE CORPORATION MEETING

Few in Attendance and Quiet Meeting

Never was there a more harmonious meeting held than that of the Corporation last Monday night.

There were no new aspirants for office and the recommendations as to the appropriations were not questioned. Only two articles were passed over. One was in relation to a discount given on taxes paid before a certain date and the other in regard to a fire alarm system.

The matter of a fire alarm system was discussed but as the one contemplated depended on all night service at the telephone office it was thought best to wait another year. It was left with the fire engineers to devise some means by which different parts of the village could be notified in case of fire.

OFFICERS.

Moderator—N. R. Springer.
Clerk—F. E. Hanscom.
Assessors—D. G. Lovejoy, C. K. Fox, L. W. Ramsell.
Treasurer—I. L. Carver.
Auditor—E. C. Park.
Park Com. for 3 years—A. Van Den Kerckhoven.
Fire Engineers—W. C. Garey, H. C. Rowe, F. L. Edwards.
Collector—F. B. Hall. Rate, $.015 on a dollar.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Lighting streets,	$1,150
Fire department,	400
Hydrants,	950
Sinking fund for fire dept.,	200
Miscellaneous expenses,	200
Care of common,	100
Police duty,	25
Collector's and Treasurer's bond,	5

The appropriations were less than last year, but as several were ordered paid from the treasury last year the assessment for this year will be about $300 more than last year.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our deep appreciation to the neighbors and friends who rendered assistance and gave expressions of sympathy in time of our bereavement. The pastor who offered words of comfort and the friends who contributed flowers as tokens of love and esteem.

Mrs. Emily Cook,
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Stowell,
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Heath and family.

FOR SALE.

A Rebuilt Royal Typewriter, never used since purchased or since rebuilt. Price, $40. Also will sell cheap, sulky plow, second hand U. S. Cream Separator, and gasoline engine. No decent offer refused.

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NOTICE.

I wish to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I am prepared to do all kinds of plumbing and repair work at a reasonable price, also sheet metal work. All work carefully and promptly attended to.

ALBERT BURKE,
Bethel, Maine.
Telephones—Shop, 10—12; Res., 29—7

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I have three very nice Collie pups, 3 months old, which I will sell for $5.00 apiece.

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Having leased the H. D. Hastings blacksmith shop I am prepared to shoe horses and oxen, also job work, and solicit your patronage.

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FOR SALE.

I have two new sleighs, built this winter, best material and workmanship, hard spring steel shoes; will sell for $10 off cost price. Inquire at F. R. Bartlett's shop.

E. P. PHILBROOK,
3-2-3t-p. Bethel, Maine.

NOTICE.

Whereas my wife, Mary Manning Holt, has left my bed and board without just cause, I hereby warn all persons against harboring or trusting her on my account after this date, as I shall pay no bills of her contracting.

GEORGE A. HOLT,
North Waterford, Me.
March 4, 1916.

FOR SALE.

The farm known as the E. W. Barker place. Over thirty acres in tillage and ten in pasture; three-fourths mile to R. R. Station and village; two-story house, ten rooms, shed connected; barn, 65 feet by 35 feet, stable connected; buildings in good repair; also wood lot of twenty acres, one and one-half miles from farm that will sell if desired.

P. M. BARKER,
3-2-3t. Bethel, Maine.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all those who have been so kind and sympathetic to us in our recent loss by fire. It is very hard to find words sufficiently strong to express our gratitude and appreciation to the kindly neighbors who so quickly took us into thier home and made us comfortable and to all who were so willing to help us in every way possible. To each and everyone who have assisted and provided the many needed and necessary articles which was a total loss and for the prompt and willing spirit shown to us in our affliction we are deeply and sincerely grateful.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Somerville

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NOTICE.

Owing to advance in materials, prices for printing will be advanced March 31.
All orders for letter-heads, bill heads, etc., received before that date will be filled at old prices.

F. B. MERRILL.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE

BETHEL AND VICINITY.

The crows are with us again.

Mrs. Frank Abbott was in Lewiston, Saturday.

Last Wednesday, C. E. Tolman was in town on business.

Miss Louise Rounds of South Paris was in town, Tuesday.

Miss Mildred Bosserman was in Portland the first of the week.

Evelyn Foster of Newry has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Eli Stearns.

Mason Allen of Bryant's Pond was a guest of Mr. I. L. Carver, Friday.

Mrs. F. R. Penley of West Paris was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Farwell, Friday.

Mrs. Clara Brown from Locke's Mills was a guest of Mrs. Dellison Conroy, Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Twaddle went to Augusta last Friday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Brann.

Miss Ethel Hammons of Portland is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Skillings.

Mrs. Annie Willey has returned from Boston with all the latest styles in spring millinery.

Mrs. H. S. Pushard was a guest of her mother, Mrs. F. E. Dwinal, at Mechanic Falls, Friday.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. U. Purington, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mrs. Mae Godwin, who has been at the C. M. G. Hospital in Lewiston, returned home, Saturday.

Our largest snow storm of the season came last Wednesday night giving us some sixteen inches or more.

Mr. and Mrs. Pillsbury, who spent a few days with Mrs. Pillsbury's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Farwell, returned to their home at Oquossoc, Friday. They carry the best wishes of many Bethel friends of the bride.

Marion Allen is visiting friends at Sunday River.

Mr. E. C. Park was in Portland on business, Monday.

Evelyn Chandler returned to her home in Norway, Friday.

The "Social Six" will meet Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Little.

Miss Edna Wight of Gilead was a guest of Miss Cleo Russell, Friday.

Several from out of town attended the Chapman concert, Friday afternoon.

Mr. Henry Austin went to So. Paris, Tuesday to serve on the grand jury.

F. P. Flint and L. E. Wight from North Newry were in town on business, Friday.

Mr. W. J. Wheeler of So. Paris was a business visitor in town last week, Thursday.

The Alumni Social Club will meet with Mrs. Gehring, Thursday evening at 8 P. M.

The regular meeting of the Boy Scouts, Troop 1, was held Monday evening at K. Hall.

Miss Mary Cummings was called home from Stark, N. H., by the illness of Mrs. William Merrill.

Mrs. Etta Bartlett and Miss Edna Bartlett of East Bethel were guests of Mrs. John Swan, Friday.

Bethel friends are glad to hear that Mrs. G. R. Wiley has recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital.

Mrs. Henry Austin and son, Charles, are spending a few days with Mrs. Austin's father at Shelburne, N. H.

The Democratic Caucus, which was to be held last Saturday, was adjourned until next Saturday afternoon, Mar. 18.

Miss Blanche Richardson of Mechanic Falls is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yates of West Stewartstown, N. H., were in town, Tuesday, to attend the burial of Mrs. Ada Meyers.

Judge A. E. Herrick, E. C. Park, Esq., and H. H. Hastings, Esq., are attending the March term of court at So. Paris this week.

Mr. Howard Carter of So. Paris was the week end guest of his mother, Mrs. Ella Carter, whom he found somewhat improved in health.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge will hold a roll call at their next regular meeting, Monday evening, March 20. All members are requested to be present.

Mr. A. E. Morse of Shelburne, N. H., has purchased the Martha Bartlett house on Mechanic street and will move his family here in the near future.

D. D. G. M. C. K. Fox and D. D. G. M. F. E. Purrington went to West Paris, Saturday, to install the vice grand of the West Paris lodge of Odd Fellows.

Thursday evening, March 16, at Grange Hall, the Universalist Ladies' Circle will give an entertainment to be followed by dancing. Good music. Come and have a pleasant time.

Mrs. Ada L. Meyers died very suddenly in New York, Sunday morning, and her remains were brought to Bethel for burial, Tuesday. Mr. Munroe of New York accompanied the remains.

Mrs. John Swan visited her aunt Mary Sanborn, Saturday, it being her 90th birthday, and found her very comfortable, although still confined to her bed from a broken hip sustained last August. She was well remembered with fruit and other tokens of cheer.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Gehring visited Dr. and Mrs. G. B. Farnsworth in Cleveland to make the acquaintance of their new granddaughter, Suzanne Sutphen Farnsworth. Mrs. Gehring was unfortunately taken seriously ill and returned to Bethel by slow stages of travel. She is now convalescent.

The postponed all day meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church will be held this Thursday from 9.30 A. M. to 2.30 P. M., in the Men's Class Room. There will be a picnic dinner for the ladies and their families. A joint meeting of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies will be held at 3 o'clock at which time the mite boxes will be opened.

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WITH OUR HOME PEOPLE.

Not all of us are financially able to build a house to suit us, but we can all accept the building we have in the best possible spirit, and make it a real home for every member of the family.

The movement to affect and mold the mind of the boy by pleasant home surroundings is one which can more easily and surely make headway in the country than in the city. Farm homes have those natural surroundings which appeal to the youthful mind, woods, flowers, animals, all the thousand and one attractions of outdoor life. But the task which confronts the farm mother is of making the farm home equally attractive, equally sufficient in molding the life and thoughts of the boy within. The farm house is not a real home to the boy unless he has a room of his own, and it is a pleasure to the mother to prepare a pleasant and attractive room for the boy, and the profit of the work is assured.

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The best features about the boy's room are those things which are so suitable and so fitted to place and so adapted to the boy's needs that no every day use can injure them; the gift to the boy does not lie in the furnishings or the style of the room, but it lies in the full sense of ownership of everything in this room; here is a place he can bring his treasures without fear of reproof. A boy will pick up dead and alive things, which to him are important treasures, and the possession of them in peace makes him love his room. The floor may be covered by a matting rug which will cost about three dollars, or it may be painted, with small home made rugs placed here and there. For the walls the quiet patterns are better; some of the old fashioned quiet prints are pleasing; a paper with a small design in one color, quiet and unobtrusive will not become tiresome. The color for the walls should be chosen carefully, the quality is not important. I like for the boy's room tints that are light and gay and pure, a tint of a clear, bright color producing a feeling of that fresh and crisp harmony we experience when walking in a garden. Red fascinates children, but it is an exciting color and should not be used in furnishing a room. Our boy has worn nerves, sometimes, the same as mother; he is sometimes sullen, peevish or irritable without being able to give any particular reason; a light cheerful room will banish the ill temper and produce that restful feeling much more effectively and quickly than by bringing to bear on the occasion all the precepts of the sages; we are not only producing effects for temporary peace, but we are tending to build and strengthen character for the future. Colors have an effect on the nervous system even for grown persons.

No one thing in the boy's room affords such satisfaction and pleasure as the homemade bookcase and desk combined. The desk is a kitchen table, and the shelves are made of a box. The drawer in the table holds pens, pencils and paper. This is a treasure that comes at a small outlay of time and money. The boy takes great pride in adding books to his private library. The waste basket is indispensable and the boy appreciates it very much. Ours was made of a paste-board candy bucket, a present from our grocer; it is large which adds to its usefulness. It is lined inside with cambric and outside with cretonne. The work is done by pasting the goods in place.

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HOME MADE BEDSPREADS.

A very inexpensive bedspread is made of white organdie; not the fine quality, but that which comes for making inside curtains for the window, and is trimmed with bands of flowered organdie showing a running design of pink roses.

One width of the white organdie is in the center and a half width is joined to each side of it by a strip of the flowered material, the work being done on a sewing machine, using a small stitch and white thread.

Each side and one end have a fourteen inch flounce bordered with a strip of the flowered organdie stitched on at the top of a two inch hem and joined to the main body of the spread by a narrow beading. The flounce is split up at the two corners of the spread and finished with a neat hem, so that when placed on a brass bed it will hang evenly all around. The end going under the bolster is finished with a two inch hem.

The bolster cover matches the spread, having a band of the flowered material stiched its length in the center and forming a ruffle on each end.

Unbleached sheeting muslin is the foundation of a most attractive spread. This is made with one piece fitting at the top of the bed and a rather scant flounce on three sides.

Yellow poppies cut from cretonne are appliqued on the edge of the flounce and at each corner of the main portion of the spread, while in the center is a circle of poppies radiating from their stems from the exact center, where a full blown blossom rests. Coarse ecru net makes a splendid foundation for a handsome lacy bedspread.—A. H. K.

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A Housewife Restored.

Mrs. R. W. Copelan, Box ??, Greensboro, Ga., suffered several years with catarrh of the stomach. She was in such poor health she could not attend to her household duties at all. Peruna was recommended by neighbors. She was induced to begin the use of Peruna. She says: "After taking five bottles of Peruna I am happy to say that I am entirely cured. My indigestion is entirely gone."

Once a Chronic Invalid.

Mrs. E. Riker, ??3 Grant Ave., East Cedar Falls, Iowa, was once a chronic invalid. Four different doctors had been consulted without avail. She had taken five different medicines that had been recommended, without improvement. Peruna was tried and the good result was prompt and lasting.

Expresses Her Gratitude.

Mrs. Samuel Reib, ??3 Union Ave., Lebanon, Pa., is able to say positively that she has been cured by Peruna. She can scarcely find words to express her gratitude for her recovery. For many years she had been a sufferer from chronic catarrh.

Three substantial men, heads of families, made efficient once more by Peruna. Three housewives restored to their families. These are only samples of what Peruna is doing every day, everywhere. Surely, this is a splendid work. Anything that conserves family life and makes the home more desirable and comfortable, nourishes the heart root of civilization. Peruna is a great civilizer.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Eva Bean is at home from Colby College for a short stay.

Mr. David Gaw of Cambridge, Mass., was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bartlett.

Mrs. A. M. Bean is slowly recovering from a serious illness. She has a trained nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Swan have moved to the E. S. Bean farm, which they have leased.

Mrs. Z. W. Bartlett is taking orders for the Alfred Peats wall papers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young of Bethel were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Freeborn Bean.

Miss Josephine Johnson of Portland is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harold Hutchins, and family.

Mrs. H. E. Bartlett is spending several weeks, the guest of relatives in Cambridge and Lowell, Mass.

The East Bethel Dramatic Club will present the two-act drama, "Sally Lunn," at Roxbury, Me., Wednesday evening, March 15. They will furnish music for a social dance.

Miss Edna Bartlett, Mrs. Etta Bartlett, Mrs. Freeborn Bean and Mrs. F. C. Bean attended the Chapman concert at Bethel, Friday afternoon.

The Gould's Academy students are at home for a short vacation.

MASON.

Mr. Gibson of West Bethel is cutting timber for D. W. Cushing.

J. A. McKenzie has finished his logging job in Albany.

Irvin Hutchinson is hauling wood to West Bethel.

R. A. Grover visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Grover, Sunday.

Jack Eagle and son, John, who are cutting timber for Eli Grover, spent the week end at their home in West Bethel.

G. D. Morrill was in town one day recently on business.

Jack McKenzie has two men cutting wood for him.

W. C. Bennett is driving team for D. W. Cushing.

MIDDLE INTERVALE.

March weather has come.

"Bluff, boisterous, jovial month;
Tho' rough and rude thy ways,
A touch of summer's gentleness
Thro' all thy roughness plays,
And thro' thy storm-tossed locks catch
A glimpse of harvest days."

Mrs. W. Bosworth has returned from her stay at Mechanic Falls.

A big snow Wednesday night—Thursday breaking roads in earnest.

We expect a school here in April, to be taught by L. M. Sargent of W. Bearboro.

GROVER HILL.

Miss Marion Jordan from Mechanic Falls is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Maurice Tyler.

George Mundt and Alton Hutchinson are at home for a short vacation from Gould's Academy.

Dr. E. C. Walker from Norway was called to Bethel, Saturday, to attend a sick horse at Mr. A. L. Whitman's. The horse died early Sunday morning.

Miss Ida M. Hasslton is at Bethel for a while.

Mr. A. E. Shephard returned from New Gloucester last week.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns returned from Mechanic Falls, Saturday, for a two weeks' vacation.

SUBSCRIBE NOW FOR THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN.

CANTON

Miss Agnes Heald is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Alice Snell, of Isle au Haute.

E. H. York has been ill with the grip.

Mrs. Mabel Thompson of Auburn has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Leon M. Berry, and family.

Gustavus Hayford of Byron has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Geo. H. Johnson, and family.

Miss Ida Sampson is ill with tonsilitis.

Miss Mary I. Richardson is at home from her school in Peru, ill with abscesses in the throat. She was generously remembered on her birthday, Wednesday, with cards and gifts.

Mrs. Estella Briggs attended Pomona at West Peru, Wednesday. The next meeting will be held with Buckfield Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Webber of Jay are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Osmer Dority, of Gilbertville.

Elmer Lane of Peru was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Richardson, Sunday.

Mrs. Marion A. Smith and Miss Lida Abbott are enjoying a trip to New York.

Ponemah Rebekah Lodge will confer the degree on a large class of candidates at their next meeting. Supper will be served by a committee composed of Mrs. G. L. Wadlin, Mrs. Ethel Woodward and Mrs. Florence Swett.

Chas. Dodge of Bridgton is a guest of his brother, Frank Dodge, and family.

Mrs. C. C. Rowe is ill.

Miss Ruth Fogg of Readfield is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Geo. W. Carson.

The next meeting of the Lucky Friday Club will be held with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Adams.

Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Ludden entertained a party of relatives which included Dr. and Mrs. E. A. McCollister of Alberta, Can., Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McCollister, Mrs. Margery Wold, John McCollister and C. Fred Tripp of Canton Point.

A pleasant time was enjoyed at the Universalist parish meeting held last week at the vestry of the church. Readings were given by Prin. Donald B. Partridge, A. E. Johnson and Mrs. F. B. Woodward. A guessing contest was won by Miss Alice Merrill. Refreshments of sandwiches, fancy crackers, hot coffee, etc., were served and a social good time was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Ellis have received word of the birth of their first great grandchild, Thursday, when a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Errold Ellis of Dixfield.

Mrs. J. C. Bicknell is recovering from the grip.

Miss Eleanor Westgate attended the Chapman concert at Lowiston, Thursday evening. She was the guest of her teacher, Mrs. Florence E. Wells.

Mrs. Geo. L. Wadlin has been visiting relatives in Lewiston.

M. B. Packard is able to be around the house since his recent illness.

Swasey Wadlin has been at home from Hebron Academy.

E. L. Bisbee has been ill with the grip.

Mrs. Henry Nulty of Buckfield has been a guest of her daughter, Miss Alice Nulty.

Several candidates will receive the degrees at the next meeting of Evergreen Chapter, O. E. S., and refreshments served.

The Chapman concert matinee will be held at the Opera House at 1.30 P. M., March 29th.

Miss Maud Ellis and niece, Miss Marguerite Hollis, attended the Chapman concert at Lewiston last week.

Deputy Sheriff John Briggs and Guy F. Boothby, traverse juror, are attending court at South Paris this week.

On account of the storm last Thursday the Universalist Circle was held at the vestry Tuesday of this week.

The pupils of Canton High School are planning to serve a supper and hold a fair sometime the middle of April.

Anasagunticook Lodge are making preparations to hold their annual ladies night in the near future.

Maurice Howes is confined to the bed with the grip.

John Briggs was at Jay, Friday, on business.

Mrs. W. F. Roberts and Mrs. Chas. Small attended the Chapman concert at Lewiston, Thursday evening.

Mrs. A. J. Foster has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Stubbs.

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It is impossible for any woman who is well and who has never suffered to realize how these poor, suffering women feel when restored to health; their keen desire to help other women who are suffering as they did.

HANOVER.

Mrs. Martha Bartlett and sons entertained the Whist Club, Saturday evening. There were six tables played instead of the usual number. Mrs. May Richardson and Ray Parker won first prizes, and Mrs. Leon Roberts and Elwood Richardson, consolation prizes. Refreshments of sandwiches, doughnuts, cheese, cake and bananas were served.

Mrs. C. F. Saunders was in Rumford Saturday.

Mrs. May Richardson had the misfortune to scald her arm one day last week. While using the teakettle the steam scalded her from her wrist to her elbow.

Mrs. S. P. Davis and son, Robert, are in Norway, visiting relatives.

Genie and Addison Saunders visited Mrs. Leon Roberts, Saturday.

S. P. Davs, who has been hauling rocks for the Rumford road, has returned home on account of the deep snow.

The roads in Hanover were broken out, Tuesday, for the first time this winter.

C. F. Saunders and family entertained the whist party at their home, Feb. 26. In spite of the rain there were 36 present and a jolly good time was enjoyed. First prizes were won by Rose Howe and Eli Stearns, second by Mrs. M. A. Holt and L. A. Roberts. Refreshments of peanuts, stuffed dates, ice cream, cake, fancy crackers and cream puffs were served.

Gladys Russell entertained some of her young friends, Tuesday evening. Whist was enjoyed for a while. Refreshments of peanuts, candy and sugared popcorn were served. Miss Maud Russell and Earl Davis took first prizes, Rose and Chester Howe second.

Henry Howe, who has been rather poorly this winter, remains about the same.

Chester Howe went to Bagnor last Friday to attend the Y. M. C. A. Convention.

L. A. Roberts and family were guests at Frank Russell's one day last week.

George Hodgdon, who has been ill, is gaining.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

H. N. Bragdon of South Paris was in town, Saturday.

C. B. Tebbets and Chris Bryant were in Vermont on business last week.

Mrs. Charles Swan and Guy Swan were called to Massachusetts, Saturday, by the death of her son's wife, Mrs. Porter Swan.

Mrs. Frank Bennett was taken to the hospital at Lewiston, Sunday.

Eldon Goodwin was out of town, Saturday.

Merton Herrick of So. Paris called on friends, Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Little of Bethel preached a very interesting sermon at the Union church, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Quimby Perham of Bryant's Pond visited at C. R. Bartlett's, Thursday. Mildred Perham visited with Mrs. A. R. Stowell the same day.

Mrs. Clara Brown visited with relatives at Bethel, Sunday.

Mrs. Nell Moody was a guest of her father at West Paris a few days last week.

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Events of Interest from Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

COUPONS AND TOBACCO.

One of the reasons assigned for the decreasing volume of newspaper advertising by the American Tobacco Company is that the expense of trading stamps and coupons eats up the advertising appropriations, and agencies like the Frank Presbrey concern in New York, while badly hurt by the conditions, appear to lack the nerve to take up the cudgels against their foes. Since Ben B. Hampton, who made a big reputation as publisher of Hampton's Magazine, ascended to the position of vice president of the American Tobacco Company, where he is regarded as the principal authority on tobacco advertising, it would appear as though reputable publications might have a real friend in the saddle; but Mr. Hampton, like the rest, appears to be under the "spell" cast over all sales propositions by trading stamp and coupon schemes; or he has concluded that these devices which are robbing the publishers of their legitimate business, are more valuable than newspaper and magazine advertising. As long as publishers depend upon the agencies to fight their battles against coupons and trading stamps, just that long will these devices grow and flourish. There is a timidity among the agencies in handling this question; superinduced by a fear of antagonizing their clients, who in turn are in position to do business direct with the publishers as a way of showing their displeasure with any agent who has the effrontery to express an opinion publicly. The evils referred to above are such as should command the attention of all publishers, and a little healthy discussion might have a fine effect on advertisers and their agents. Publicity has cleared up many a bad situation, and as this is one that affects the bank account of every publisher it might be well for them to get busy and lambast the offenders. While serving themselves the publications affected could do still greater good to the public by helping to drive out the coupon evil.

THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS.

"Old inhabitants" of Washington have lived through many exciting events surrounding contests between Congress and the President, even though the issues involved may not have been of as far-reaching consequence as those that have brought about the recent test over the matter of handling our foreign policy. In one thing the President and Congress agreed, and that is that every effort must be made to keep the country out of the European War, and maintain our place as the leading neutral nation of the world. A readjustment of international affairs is certain to follow the present lamentable condition of world affairs, and all officials, from the President down recognize that the United States is the supreme neutral power. The legislative and executive branches of the government may have all the friction that can be hatched out of a tempestuous sea of politics, but they all know that the people of the world's greatest republic have no time for jingoism; and so much of that sort of thing as has been injected into the present controversy may have served to cloud the real issues, but it is hoped, has not strengthened the personal standing of men who have built their own fortunes upon the distress of their fellow man.

A good many people believe an occasional quarrel between Congress and the President affords the country an opportunity to get a more intimate knowledge of the actual things that are happening in their government, and at the same time tend toward clearing the differences existing in the business management of the nation; and that therefore, such disputes answer a useful purpose. All this, of course, providing that the country in consequence, avoids things like war, panic, pestilence and other great evils. It is a time for people to keep cool heads, warm feet, and chipless shoulders.

"THE COME BACKS."

The National Press Club of Washington has a thousand members, all men. One half are newspaper men, and the remainder come from various fields of life. Recently an evening was given over to a program, in which the "come backs" recounted their tales. The headliner was Uncle Joe Cannon. Nicholas Longworth, the "son-in-law of the progressive party," also had a place on the program. Then there was Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas, Ebenezer Hill of Connecticut, and Representative Rodenberg of Illinois. These men come from the old republican guard, and are very instrumental in the affairs of the nation, as reflected from Capitol Hill. Not only that—they are attempting to regain control of the machinery of the party. Longworth has been groomed to succeed Representative Woods of Iowa, as Chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee, and it is understood that he has the backing of Representative McKinley of Illinois, who at one time, was the big Republican leader in the Capitol.

The Republican Congressional Committee, as it exists at the present time, is supposed to be in control of the progressive members, and they assert that party unity can only be preserved through continuing them in authority. The "come backs," and others who think with them, are equally anxious to redeem the party by taking its affairs in charge, and they frankly admit that one of the reasons they should do so is because they are in position to "get the dough," and fill up the campaign money bags.

The two branches of the party are as far apart as ever, but each crowd in Washington is bent on saving the party and defeating Mr. Wilson by methods that are diametrically opposite. But of course the Democrats are not all thinking alike either, and there may be some interesting happenings at the June convention, as well as thereafter. The period to be covered in these affairs will undoubtedly run till November—and no man knows what the end will be.

SEEKING TO HONOR THE MARCH KING.

One of the most wonderful organizations of the National Capital is the Marine Band. John Phillips Sousa was at one time the director, and he served brilliantly in that capacity through the term of four Presidents. After he retired, Mr. Santlemann through a special act of Congress, was given the rank of Lieutenant of Marines, and Mr. Sousa's supporters have taken the matter up before Congress and expect to secure for him the same recognition. Recently the New York Hippodrome gave impetus to the movement in Mr. Sousa's behalf by giving a special performance that was designated "All American Night." Mr. Sousa has been decorated by the King of England, and many European countries honored him during his world's tours.

BRANDEIS AND HIS CRITICS.

There never has been a nomination of a justice of the Supreme Court where there has been so thorough a searching of character as in the case of Mr. Brandeis. The hearings before the Senate Committee have practically amounted to trials. A good many of the people who had nothing to say about Brandeis more than that they did not like him, piled up most of the objections. Brandeis will be confirmed, and those who know him best feel that he will be a genuine acquisition to the personnel of the Supreme Court.

GRAND OPENING NEXT TIME.

General Goethals tells "for sure" that the Panama Canal will be slide proof when it is reopened. This may be six months hence, or it may be a longer period; but he is certain that the canal can never be blocked again. Of course the work that is now being done should never have been finished before the canal was opened at all. But the impatience of the American public caused the builders to take a long chance on declaring the work finished. They lost—and now millions of yards of dirt are being removed in order to prevent any possibility of a further tie up in navigation.

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SPRAYING POTATOES—SOME DIFFICULTIES TO BE OVERCOME.

The following was made public recently by Charles D. Woods, director of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station in Orono:

The potato spraying situation in Maine for the season of 1916, like the fertilizer question, has its own peculiar difficulties. Because of this the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station makes the following statement: It is not presented as a full solution of these difficulties, for the causes underlying them are beyond local control and the fact cannot be avoided that the Maine potato grower must pay more this year for protection from blight and "bugs" than ever before. The object of the statement is to point out certain facts which, if more generally known, may prevent a waste of money and a lack of efficiency in spraying operations under the present conditions.

The chief object for spraying potatoes in Maine is to prevent blight and to control the Colorado beetle. For combating late blight and preventing the tuber rot which follows it, freshly and properly prepared bordeaux mixture is in a class by itself. Regardless of the extravagant claims which manufacturers of certain proprietary compounds have made in the past or are likely to make this coming season, no substitute which they have put out nor any other material yet used, which can be prepared on the farm, has stood the test when compared with bordeaux mixture in accurate field experiments.

This coming season potato growers in Maine will be tempted as never before to use these spray substitutes. The war in Europe has created enormous demands for the copper and sulphuric acid that are used in making copper sulphate, which furnishes the active fungicidal agent of bordeaux mixture. As a result copper sulphate will be more expensive than it has been since it came into prominence as a fungicide, but it is not expected that the price will be prohibitive.

Even with the prospective high price of copper sulphate the Maine Station, in the light of experience here and elsewhere, does not advise potato growers to take chances by using substitutes for bordeaux mixture in spraying for late blight of potatoes. There are just two reasons for taking this position, but they are important reasons. They are that these substitutes almost without exception, regardless of claims made by manufacturers and salesmen, cost more and are relatively less efficient—sometimes nearly worthless. It is impossible to give here the facts upon which this statement is based. It may be mentioned in this connection, however, that in 1907 this station made some experiments in Foxcroft on the farm of and in co-operation with Hon. A. W. Gilman, then commissioner of Agriculture, where certain paste and powder substitutes were compared with freshly and properly prepared bordeaux mixture for spraying potatoes. The average loss from using these substitutes, as compared with home made bordeaux mixture, computed on a basis of the price of potatoes when the crop was dug, varied from $33 to $75 per acre.

In certain instances, notably for spraying apple orchards for scab, lime-sulphur has largely replaced bordeaux mixture as a spray. This material would provide a very easy solution of the difficulty if it would work equally as well on potatoes. All information to date relative to the value of lime sulphur as a spray for potatoes indicates that the benefits to be derived from it are very doubtful and there is quite positive evidence that it may be actually harmful to potatoes.

Conditions in Europe have also affected the cost of insecticides, more especially paris green which contains copper as well as arsenic. Fortunately certain compounds of soda and arsenic provide a soluble poison which is relatively cheap and very efficient when used for potato "bugs." These materials under trade names have been sold and widely and successfully used in Maine, particularly in Aroostook country, during the last few years. Unlike paris green they cannot be used alone but must always be applied with bordeaux mixture. The station can furnish directions for preparing a similar material at home from white arsenic and sal soda, but it must be remembered a person doing this is handling a very active, soluble poison and great caution should be exercised to avoid the possibility of its getting into the food or drink of human beings or farm animals, particularly through later use of the vessels employed in preparing and storing it.

Because that one must grow potatoes this year without potash unusual care must be taken with the crop to prevent failure. In 1916, as never before, it behooves potato growers to:

Thoroughly prepare the seed bed.

Use the best of seed, carefully selected.

Treat the seed with formaldehyde or corrosive sublimate for scab.

Cultivate frequently and well.

Spray with bordeaux mixture early and often.

The wetter the weather, the more frequent the spraying should be.

Use a poison with the bordeaux when the eggs or the Colorado beetle are found on the potato leaves.

CHAS. D. WOODS, Director.

POULTRY BREEDING POINTS, BY INSTRUCTOR MONAHAN.

The most profitable pullets for the farm flocks are those which mature to lay in late October and early November. Birds of the American breeds to mature at this time must be hatched between April 15 and May 10, or thereabouts. It is well to have the breeding pens mated up before the last of February in order to allow ample time to save eggs for incubation. If the first setting is made before the end of March and incubators are used, they may be refilled in time to secure another hatch by the middle of May.

WHICH HENS TO USE.

Under all conditions the first consideration in selecting birds for a breeding pen is constitutional vigor and good health. Weak chickens, those which are under standard weight, or which have ever been sick, are not fit to breed from. The next consideration is their egg production, especially the winter production of the pullet year. A trap-nest record is, of course, the only accurate measure of a hen's production. However, there are methods of estimating, with fair degree of accuracy, whether or not a hen has laid many eggs. The most reliable of these is the shank color of yellowed legged varieties. The coloring matter in the yolk of eggs and in the bird's shank is identical, consequently, high producing pullet exhausts her body of coloring matter and her beak and shanks become faded, and furthermore, the heavier the laying has been the greater will be the amount of bleaching observed.

This point is especially useful in selecting yearly hens to retain as breeders. At this time of the year, February, the fading in pullets is not pronounced, yet in the heaviest layers it is apparent in the beak and from the loss of an orange tinge in the yellow shank coloring.

THE MALE'S IMPORTANCE.

Recent investigations have ascertained, and proved beyond doubt, that the male bird plays a part in the transmission of egg producing ability which has never been understood nor appreciated. The male constitutes one-half the flock in the factors ordinarily considered in breeding but in determining the productivity of his daughters, he is more than half—he is the whole thing.

For this reason, next to constitutional vigor and good weight, the production of his dam should be considered. He should come from a high-producing hen, and to insure his ability to transmit high production to his daughters, two-thirds or more his sisters (daughters of same father) should have proven themselves good layers.

To "swap" roosters, or introduce new blood each year, does not mean progress. Better to intensify the good one has, by carefully selecting and breeding the best, than to chance the introduction of new and unknown blood.

FEEDING THE BREEDERS.

Experience indicates that reducing animal food to a minimum improves the hatching quality of eggs. The Maine Station now uses the following dry mash during the breeding season: 200 lbs. bran, 100 lbs. corn meal, 100 lbs. feed flour, 50 lbs. meat scraps, 50 lbs. bone meal.

In addition to this mash the regular scratch grain is fed. It consists of one pint cracked corn and one pint wheat and oats mixed, to each dozen birds. Furthermore, they are supplied with plenty of green food, especially sprouted oats.

SIZE OF PEN.

With the American breeds high fertility is usually secured when eight to 12 females are used with one male. It is best to wait a week or 10 days after mating a pen before saving eggs for hatching.

CARE OF EGGS.

Eggs for hatching should not be held much over three weeks. During that time they ought to be kept out of draughts and in a cool place which is not too damp. Probably the most convenient means of handling them is in an egg case. Each day's gathering of eggs is put into the fillers, big end up, and the case is then turned on its side. Each succeeding day, as eggs are put in, the case is turned to its other side. In this way the eggs always rest on their sides, and turned conveniently each day, and are well protected from draughts and changing temperatures by the insulation afforded by the fillers of the case.

ALCOHOL AND PNEUMONIA.

The United States Public Health Service brands strong drink as the most efficient ally of pneumonia. It declares that alcohol is the handmaiden of the disease which produces ten per cent of the deaths in the United States. This is no exaggeration. We have known for a long time that indulgence in alcoholic liquors lowers the individual vitality, and that the man who drinks is peculiarly susceptible to pneumonia. The United States Public Health Service is a conservative body. It does not engage in alarmist propaganda. In following out the line of its official duties it has brought forcefully to the general public a fact which will bear endless repetition. The liberal and continuous user of alcoholic drinks will do well to heed this warning, particularly at this season of the year when the gruesome death toll from pneumonia is being doubled.

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Lizzie and Iza Fitzgerald have returned from a visit with their aunt and other relatives in Augusta.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGee spent the week end at the home of Mrs. McGee's parents in Rochester, N. H.

A senior high school social which was largely attended was held at the high school building on Friday evening last.

Annie McNeil of Lewiston was the guest of friends in town last week.

The Dunton Lumber Co. report that whereas they have sold practically all of their lumber to Massachusetts parties, yet they have retained sufficient stock to supply some industries.

WEST PERU.

Samuel Wing passed away Sunday evening, March 5, at the age of 70 years. Mr. Wing had been in poor health for several years.

The largest snow storm of the winter came last week and the R. F. D. carrier broke his own road on a good part of his route.

The grip patients are all gaining at latest reports.

The men who are teaming for Kidder Bros., of Peru, from under Speckled Mountain, have got the pulp wood nearly all yarded on the bank of Spear Stream.

E. G. Child hauled some birch to the mill at Dickvale for N. S. Stowell of Dixfield last week.

R. S. Tracy, J. C. Morrill and Ernest Andrews each hauled a few cords to the mill the first of the winter.

Mr. George Hefferon, who recently returned from Providence, R. I., is in very poor health. Dr. J. M. Sturtevant of Dixfield attends him.

Billy Weston of Rumford is stopping with his sister, Mrs. James Saunders, at Dickvale.

Mrs. Bishop is ill at the home of her son, Nathan.

WEST GREENWOOD.

Mike Harrington, who was ill with the grip for three weeks, is able to be out hauling pulp.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harrington are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

John Deegan has sold his farm, which has been occupied by his sister and husband, to a Mr. Jones of N. Waterford, who will take possession the first of April.

Mr. Ned Ray came home from Boston last week, where he has been working for two months, and will have an auction in the near future, and move to Boston.

Ara Burgess visited his mother, Sunday.

Wallace Coolidge visited at his grandfather's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennaugh and children are spending a few days at South Paris.

Say you saw it in the Citizen.

WEST PARIS

It is reported that G. W. Berry has purchased the hardware store and business of Robert E. Shaw, and that Mr. Shaw will go into business at South Paris.

Edgar F. Barrows had the bone in his thumb split and an injury to his hand which bled badly, by being kicked by his horse. Mr. Barrows stepped behind his horse without speaking and caused him to kick by being surprized.

The prize speaking contest will be repeated Friday evening.

Walter Ring, engineer at Mann's mill, will move his family from E. R. Davis' rent on Greenwood street to the Mann house opposite the mill, formerly occupied by V. E. Ellingwood and family, who have moved to Buckfield.

The box supper and entertainment to have been held Friday evening at the Snow's Falls schoolhouse has been postponed indefinitely.

H. W. Dunham is having electric lights put in his store.

A good sized audience heard the prize speaking contest of West Paris High School, Wednesday evening in spite of the worst snow storm of the season, which set in early in the afternoon and detained many people at home. The hall was prettily decorated with green and white, the class colors, and the back of the stage was banked with evergreens. On account of the storm preventing some of the out-of-town judges being present, Superintendent M. C. Joy and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler served in their places, making the committee Mrs. M. C. Joy, M. C. Joy and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler, who awarded first prize to Earle Thomas Hollis; second prize, Mildred Helena Conant; third prize, Carl Greenleaf Emery. Rev. D. A. Ball presented the gifts to the members. All the contestants acquitted themselves with great credit, and deserve much praise. Too much praise cannot be accorded Mrs. Alice C. S. Wood for the painstaking and efficient manner in which she drilled each contestant, and everything except the blizzard was perfect to make the evening one of the best.

Mrs. Allen E. Cole was taken seriously ill on Saturday forenoon, March 4, and Sunday morning she was taken on the early train to the Central Maine General Hospital for an operation for what was supposed to be appendicitis, but proved to be a water tumor which had burst. The gravest fears have been felt for her recovery, but so far she has continued to gain, and her recovery now seems quite probable, much to the pleasure of many friends.

J. W. Cummings is in very poor health. Mrs. Cummings was over from Hebron to attend the prize speaking and visit Mr. Cummings.

Mrs. Adney R. Tuell has been with her sister, Mrs. Jane Stevens, at North Paris, no account of the serious illness of Mrs. Stevens.

Theo. Beaulieu is receiving a visit from his brother from Canada.

Miss Mabel E. Ricker has been quite ill during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth D. Curtis are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Monday, March 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Estabrook and little son have been recent guests of her uncle, C. H. Lane, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lesmore Currier were recent guests of her sister, Mrs. C. F. Barden, and family.

Mrs. Elvesa Dennen has returned home after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. E. B. Davis, of Woodstock.

Miss Beatrice E. Smith gave a party Saturday evening to fifteen girl friends, the occasion being her fifteenth birthday, which occurred on Tuesday previous, the party being delayed as a matter of convenience. The customary birthday cake with fifteen candles, fruit punch, ice cream, crackers and candy were served. Games were enjoyed during the evening. Those present were: Ethelwyn Gardner, Leona Marston, Ethel Flavin, Doris Chippendale, Myrtle Robinson, Beatrice Davis, Margaret Bacon, Bertha Perry, Margery Farr, Myrtle Brock, Thelma Emery, Edith Emery, Dorothy Wardwell, Della Cole, Cathleen Small, Louvie Peabody.

H. W. Dunham is having two large plate glass windows placed in his store, and will use those which are taken out for the new meat market.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Joy were guests Wednesday night of Dr. and Mrs. Wheeler.

H. G. Brown is recovering from his recent illness.

Dr. Yates remains critically ill from paralysis. He has a trained nurse.

The week of March 20th has been selected for special services at the Universalist church. The pastor will be assisted by Rev. Harold W. Haynes of Augusta. Miss Alice Barden will be the soloist, and other good things in music are to be arranged.

The "Earnest Workers" Class are to present an attractive musical program at Centennial Hall, Wednesday evening, March 15, with talent from South Paris, assisted by local talent.

Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler entertained Rev. and Mrs. Dwight A. Ball at tea, Thursday evening in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Wheeler's father, A. F. Williams. Mr. Williams was generously remembered with gifts and pretty flowers, and received many greetings and congratulations on having reached his 75th birthday, and many good wishes for added years of health and happiness.

Benjamin R. Billings of Bryant's Pond was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Mann entertained thirty-eight guests Saturday evening in honor of Mr. Mann's birthday. Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Stilwell, Edward Stilwell, Miss Grace Burnham, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Mann, Rev. and Mrs. Dwight A. Ball, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Whitten, Paul Whitten, Miss Diana Wall, Miss Ruth Carter, Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Packard, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lurvey, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Johnson, Alton Bicknell, Mrs. Percy C. Mayhew, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Mann and Perels, Miss Ethel Spiller, Mrs. Alice Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Shaw, H. R. Tuell, and Benj. R. Billings of Bryant's Pond. Games and music were enjoyed during the evening. Eight tables of whist. Prizes were won, ladies, Mrs. S. R. Johnson, fancy cheese plate; gentleman's prize, S. R. Johnson drinking cup in leather case. Consolation prizes, R. E. Shaw, Mrs. W. H. Lurvey. Refreshments of punch, crackers, ice cream and birthday cake were served.

ANDOVER

Miss Helen Akers, who teaches at Oxford, is spending her vacation with her parents, F. E. Akers and wife.

Frederick A. Pullman has been elected Supt. of Schools.

The high school will continue two weeks longer.

Rev. Geo. Graham preached an interesting sermon at the Congregational church, Sunday morning from the text, "Lord, Teach Us How to Pray."

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Perkins are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Saturday, March 4.

The Young Peoples' Whist met Thursday evening, March 9. Mrs. Mattie Warren and Arthur Lang received the first prizes, Mrs. I. E. Mills and Harry Thomas the second. Refreshments were served.

Bert Dunn of Andover West Surplus has been quite ill. His oldest son is ill with the grip.

There are several cases of grip in town.

Victor Akers and Lester Thurston, accompanied by Marshall Howard, attended the Boys' Conference at Bangor, returning Monday.

Mrs. Arthur Noble has been ill the past week.

Alice Averill is working for Mrs. Bert Dunn.

The King's Daughters meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mary Frost.

The selectmen were in session at their office, Saturday.

Wm. Cushman is attending court at So. Paris this week.

Walter Akers has finished working for E. W. Abbott.

Miss Gladys Howard, who teaches in Rumford, was at home last week, ill with tonsilitis.

Frederick Pullman and F. P. Thomas have been chosen delegates to the Republican Convention to be held in Portland, March 23rd.

Vone Learned's two youngest children, who have been ill with tonsilitis, are much better.

Abbott Company, No. 21, U. R. K. P., presented their drill and drama, entitled, "In the Trenches," Tuesday evening, March 14. A baked bean and pastry supper was served. Learned's orchestra furnished music. Dancing was enjoyed after intermission.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met Saturday evening at Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rand's. Twenty members were present. Mrs. C. A. Rand won the first prize for ladies and Clayton Sweatt the gentleman's first prize. Mrs. Fred Smith and F. P. Thomas won the second. Dainty refreshments were served.

Mrs. Roger Thurston and daughter visited her parents, Geo. Thomas and wife, Friday of last week.

Lone Mt. Grange will hold its regular all day meeting, Saturday.

The Ladies' Aid of the Universalist church met Tuesday of last week with Mrs. Mertie Learned.

Davis Rand, who has had an operation performed on his eye at McCarty's Hospital, has returned home.

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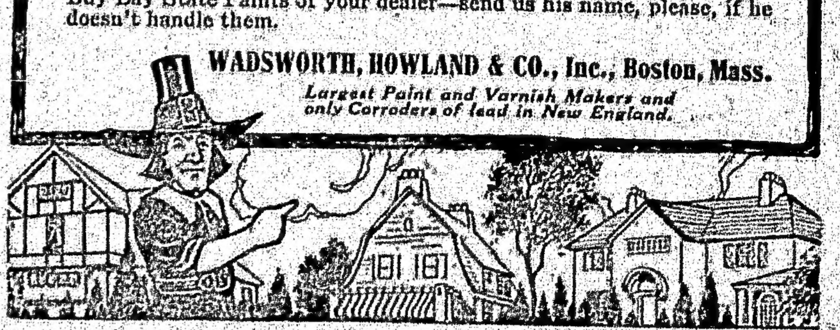

NORTH HARTFORD.

The senior class of the Buckfield High school went to Lewiston, Wednesday and had their class pictures taken.

Fred Stetson has bought Naaman Burgess' farm and is to take possession soon. Mr. Burgess is to have an auction, Wednesday of this week.

Harry Cole of Rumford is working for P. A. Davenport.

Mrs. Ellie Davenport and daughter, Wilma, visited at J. H. Blanchard's a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davenport visited their brother, Henry Davenport, and family, Sunday.

Winfield Farrar is assisting his son-in-law, James Billings, harvest his ice. Mr. Billings has recovered from his recent attack of rheumatism.

Marion Stetson is on the sick list.

Alonzo Oldham is working on the Thomas Penley lot, getting out the material for two houses the timber to be shipped to Rumford for the purpose of building in the spring.

Mrs. Merle Dunn and daughter, Bernice, of Mechanic Falls are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frances Sargent.

Percy Davenport and Mabel Fields and son, Harry, visited Mr. and Mrs. Anson Cash, Saturday night and Sunday.

C. E. Hutchinson is getting his ice.

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Stocks and Bonds,	$1,530,735.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	34,589.37
Agents' Balances,	255,713.15
Interest and Rents,	22,416.87
All other Assets,	66.02
Gross Assets,	$1,852,520.41
Deduct items not admitted,	9,176.83
Admitted Assets,	$1,843,343.58

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 109,114.00
Unearned Premiums,	1,094,905.98
All other Liabilities,	38,750.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	600,573.60
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,843,343.58

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THE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$102,058.35
Mortgage Loans,	53,850.00
Stocks and Bonds,	2,976,261.38
Cash in Office and Bank,	242,333.47
Agents' Balances,	519,011.33
Interest and Rents,	28,444.90
All other Assets,	13,885.70
Gross Assets,	$4,236,745.22
Deduct items not admitted,	224,400.54
Admitted Assets,	$4,012,344.68

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 259,351.91
Unearned Premiums,	2,287,347.46
All other Liabilities,	39,224.61
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	426,420.70
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$4,012,344.68

RUMFORD FALLS INS. AGENCY, Agents,
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THE RELIANCE INSURANCE CO., OF PHILADELPHIA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$129,327.04
Mortgage Loans,	44,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,102,663.25
Cash in Office and Bank,	102,629.66
Agents' Balances,	202,242.17
Interest and Rents,	13,952.36
All other Assets,	5,682.96
Gross Assets,	$1,600,497.44
Deduct items not admitted,	47,567.89
Admitted Assets,	$1,552,929.55

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$89,345.57
Unearned Premiums,	840,312.52
All other Liabilities,	22,132.34
Cash Capital,	400,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	201,139.12
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,552,929.55

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PEOPLES NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
N. E. 3rd & Walnut Sts., Phila., Pa.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$ 205,504.10
Mortgage Loans,	449,250.00
Collateral Loans,	7,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,061,345.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	105,712.40
Agents' Balances,	156,100.91
Interest and Rents,	23,052.42
Gross Assets,	$2,008,024.83
Deduct items not admitted,	14,588.76
Admitted Assets,	$1,993,436.07

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 79,281.47
Unearned Premiums,	687,249.27
All other Liabilities,	117,121.92
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	109,783.41
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,993,436.07

RUMFORD FALLS INS. AGENCY, Agents,
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AMERICAN EAGLE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
80 Maiden Lane, New York

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Stocks and Bonds,	$2,279,504.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	51,892.29
Agents' Balances,	73,106.42
Interest and Rents,	8,035.63
All other Assets,	18,250.00
Gross Assets,	$2,431,088.34
Deduct items not admitted,	59,784.95
Admitted Assets,	$2,371,903.39

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 7,742.75
Unearned Premiums,	116,905.72
All other Liabilities,	161,740.79
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,085,514.13
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$2,371,903.39

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HARTFORD STEAM BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE COMPANY.

Abstract of Statement, Jan. 1, 1916.

Cash Capital,	$2,000,000.00
Total Assets,	$6,234,416.32
Reserve Re-insurance,	2,473,007.93
For Losses Unadjusted,	33,638.00
Surplus as Regards Policy Holders,	3,570,753.42

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SAINT PAUL FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$ 235,774.34
Mortgage Loans,	1,170,030.00
Stocks and Bonds,	8,305,203.71
Cash in Office and Bank,	696,393.75
Agents' Balances,	1,173,132.78
Bills Receivable,	34,531.62
Interest and Rents,	84,067.67
All other Assets,	48,969.35
Gross Assets,	$11,664,103.22
Deduct items not admitted,	343,592.81
Admitted Assets,	$11,320,710.41

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 728,092.03
Unearned Premiums,	5,471,723.01
All other Liabilities,	220,537.25
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	3,899,457.17
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$11,320,710.41

3-16-3t—F.

LONDON & LANCASHIRE FIRE INS. CO., Ltd., LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$ 300,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	3,032,650.33
Cash in Office and Bank,	689,420.16
Agents' Balances,	591,312.27
Bills Receivable,	1,649.43
Interest and Rents,	53,760.58
All other Assets,	500,994.93
Gross Assets,	$5,159,687.70
Deduct items not admitted,	497,632.78
Admitted Assets,	$4,662,054.92

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 158,076.50
Unearned Premiums,	2,753,928.73
All other Liabilities,	65,831.17
Deposit Capital, 200,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,457,320.43	
Surplus as regards Policy Holders,	1,657,320.43
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$4,662,054.92

3-16-3t—F.

POEMS WORTH READING

WHEN MANDY'S SICK.

Th' kitchen's muxed all upside down,
Th' stove's a-lost her blackin',
Th' floor's a sight for any clown,
With th' chickens all a-trackin';
An' the dishes, Gee! they pile up quick,
When Mandy's sick.

I hate to look inside th' butt'ry,
'At used to be so slick an' clean,
Th' things is all so sorter clutt'ry,
It makes a feller feel right mean;
An' th' dust, My! but it gets thick,
When Mandy's sick.

I hanker for a mess of greens
An' some of Mandy's pie;
I've et raw pork an' soggy beans
An' heavy bread, till, My!
But there! I ain't a-goin' to kick,
When Mandy's sick.

I wanter see th' house slicked up
An' Mandy cookin' dinner;
'At's what makes life worth livin'
To this ondeservin' sinner;
An' I'll tell you this—when Mandy's well,
I'm goin' to treat her fine,
An' keep her well, 'cause I don't want
No housekeepin' in mine.

Grace G. Bostwick.

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SORROW'S FRIEND.

I think it true that cares and sorrows bring
To us a deeper blessing than we know;
For human hearts, by their own suffering
This lesson learn—to feel another's woe.

Eugene C. Dolson.

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OUR NOSES.

By W. C. Smith.

If you'll only observe I am sure you will see
People put their nose where it's no business to be,
If you carefully look at each one you jot down,
You will see they would run, while they own not the town.

You may run your affairs just as well as you can,
And some crank will suggest a more excellent plan,
Which would wreck you at once, while it shows you that he
Wants to put his nose where it's no business to be.

If you don't go to church, if you do, just the same,
They discuss you, and find you a subject for blame,
If you're sensitive, you perhaps scarcely can see
That their nose is just where it's no business to be.

If your bonnet is old, tho' you want one that's new,
Then a whispered remark as you enter your pew
Hurts your feelings, as well as it shows you that she
Simply put her nose where it's no business to be.

If there's some one you know from sheer spite, and not pride,
Wants your business to go to the opposite side,
Then all fair-minded people at once plainly see
He would put his nose where it's no business to be.

If you walk with your girl when the evening is fine,
Then the people will talk just eight times out of nine,
And it may annoy you, tho' the country is free,
But some noses are where they've no business to be.

On the other hand too, if a girl has a beau,
Then some venomous tongues on a clattering go,
While they take great delight in what now seems to me,
Putting in their nose where it's no business to be.

It don't matter a bit if you ride, or you walk,
Why the dear people all will undoubtedly talk,
And at theatre, church or an afternoon tea,
They will put their nose where it's no business to be.

As the rim of the wheel must revolve with the hub,
So the talk goes around, through the office and club,
And the little seed sown soon becomes a great tree,
Because noses are where they've no business to be.

And no matter who suffers, or whom it annoys,
Whether young or the aged, the girls or the boys,
All come in for a share of the comment so free,
Because noses are where they've no business to be.

When a friend comes to us with a nice little song
About some one who's doing a very great wrong,
And puts us on their trail, we soon find out that we
Have just put our nose where it's no business to be.

For when trouble comes on, later on in the day,
Then that very dear friend will get out of the way,
Incidentally saying, he always knew we
Always put our nose where it's no business to be.

It's the way of the world, and wherever you go,
If at home or abroad, it will always be so,
And to keep out of trouble—you'll easily see—
Keep your nose out from where it's no business to be.

If each one their own business would only attend,
We would then know who was not and who was a friend,
What a world this would be—if only that we
Kept our noses from where they've no business to be.

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CHIMNEY-TOPS.

By "Marian Douglas," Mrs. Annie Douglas (Green) Robinson.

Ah! the morning is gray;
And what kind of a day
Is it likely to be?
You must look up and see
What the chimney-pots say.

If the smoke from the mouth
Of the chimney goes south,
'Tis the country of snows;
Look out for rough weather
The cold and the north wind
Are always together.

When the smoke pouring forth
From the chimney goes north,
A mild day it will be,
A warm time we shall see;
The south wind is blowing
From the land where the orange
And fig trees are growing.

But if west goes the smoke,
Get your waterproof cloak
And umbrella about;
'Tis the east wind that's out,
A wet day you will find it;
The east wind has always
A storm close behind it.

It is east the smoke flies!
We make look for blue skies!
Soon the clouds will take flight,
'Twill be sunny and bright;
The sweetest and best wind
Is, surely, that fair weather
Brings, the west wind.

Fall River.

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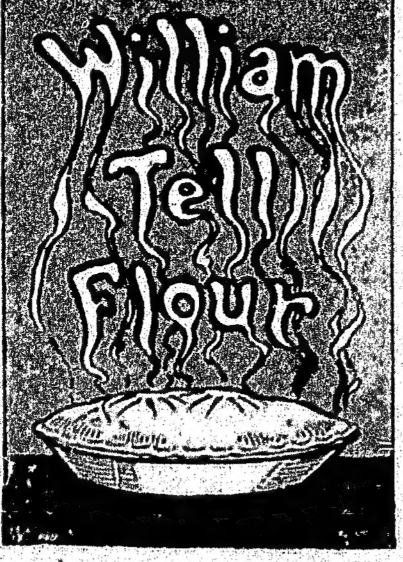

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Selection of These Should Be Gone Into Very Carefully.

By G. E. Conkey.

In the value of its total output, the poultry industry today is second to none in the world. And nothing has played so important a part in the development of poultry keeping from a simple occupation to a great industry as the incubator and brooder.

During the experimental years of artificial incubation, the results obtained were far from being satisfactory or even promising. However, today, there are a number of machines on the market that give excellent results, require but little attention and hatch a high percentage of the eggs entrusted to their care.

The rapid advancement that has taken place in the poultry business would have been quite impossible had the work been left to the old hen, for no poultry man can hope to succeed in building a large and profitable business by raising chickens in the old way. Artificial methods are absolutely necessary.

Many Incubators Good.

The perfect incubator is probably yet to be found, but there are a number that can be depended upon to hatch a reasonable percentage of strong chicks where good judgment is used in their handling. Remember, the incubator is not used because it is an improvement over the old hen, but because of its convenience and the possibility of hatching chicks when broody hens are not obtainable.

Based on the methods of heating, incubators can be divided into two classes, one being the hot water and the other the hot air. In one, the heat is imparted to the eggs by hot air coming directly from the lamp or gas heater; with the other, the air is heated by contact with a hot water tank or pipe located in the egg chamber above the eggs. Both of these methods have their strong supporters and admirers. Perhaps the large number of hot air machines in use has resulted chiefly because they require less attention, are less complicated, longer-lived, and, all things considered, somewhat cheaper. The divided opinion on the hot air and hot water types is likely to continue, as both have particular valuable features. However, a well built machine of either class, will do good work.

Sizes Vary.

In size, incubators vary from the individual or small machines, holding as low as fifty eggs, to the mammoth heater equipped with a central heating plant and heating by pipes. These large incubators hold as many as 20,000 eggs, and are used largely by hatcheries supplying day-old chicks.

Let the selection of your own incubator depend upon conditions you must meet. Go into the matter carefully, find out what results your neighbors secured and then use your own judgment after noting how the claims made by the manufacturers seem to fit into what you feel are the requirements of your own case. Be careful about buying too small an incubator, especially if you intend to increase your hatches the following year.

Follow Instruction.

After purchasing the incubator, don't inject any ideas of your own into its operation. Follow the instructions given by the manufacturer, for he, as well as you, is interested in successful results. Read the directions over several times, being sure that there is nothing you have overlooked, and then use good common sense in their application. Don't expect too much of the incubator, for it is merely an imitator of the old hen and 100 per cent hatches usually exist only on paper.

Brooders Necessary.

Hatching chicks is far less difficult than raising them, so that the question of brooding should have careful thought. As a rule, it is best for beginners to buy a good brooder, especially where their functions are not fully understood. In this way, you will be supplied with proper instructions and results depend considerably on attention to little details.

The brooder has kept pace with the incubator in variety of style and different methods. In making changes and improvements, there is always danger in the inexperienced person adopting them. Therefore, the same rules laid down for the selecting of an incubator will apply to a brooder. Buy a brooder that has proven its merits.

Fireless Brooder Good.

Where chicks are raised in large numbers, a heated brooder house, with hovers properly installed, is almost a necessity. In many poultry plants, you will find long houses similar to those used for laying hens equipped with a brooder heating system and divided into small pens for the birds.

In raising chicks on a smaller scale, various methods of brooding are applied, including the use of an outdoor brooder, indoor brooder, hovers of various types, the room brooder and the fireless brooder.

The fireless brooder has found considerable favor with the small poultry raisers in the last few years, perhaps because its cost is practically nothing when home made. The extravagant claims made for this brooder when it first came out led one to expect too much from it. This naturally resulted in failures. Where a little time can be given to educate the chicks to make proper use of a fireless brooder, failures with them will be no more numerous than with the heated brooders.

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

Real Estate,	$ 566,500.00
Mortgage Loans,	15,500.00
Stocks and Bonds,	14,754,741.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,067,704.57
Agents' Balances,	1,465,627.30
Interest and Rents,	116,940.01
Gross Assets,	$17,987,012.88
Deduct items not admitted,	240,675.52
Admitted Assets,	$17,746,337.36

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 466,300.65
Unearned Premiums,	7,909,326.42
All other Liabilities,	700,059.67
Cash Capital,	2,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	6,170,650.62
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$17,746,337.36

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Mortgage Loans,	22,750.00
Collateral Loans,	29,399.00
Stocks and Bonds,	6,467,504.76
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,116,624.80
Agents' Balances,	1,822,846.06
Bills Receivable,	2,600.00
Interest and Rents,	82,180.00
All other Assets,	255,814.69
Gross Assets,	$10,523,857.59
Deduct items not admitted,	816,838.08
Admitted Assets,	$9,707,019.51

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915

Net Unpaid Losses,	$2,178,263.02
Unearned Premiums,	3,662,724.12
All other Liabilities,	682,864.42
Cash Capital,	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,183,162.95
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Real Estate,	$ 715,577.93
Mortgage Loans,	465,500.00
Collateral Loans,	35,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	22,902,622.37
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,691,928.87
Agents' Balances,	3,501,366.70
Bills Receivable,	16,170.82
Interest and Rents,	272,591.49
All other Assets,	38,022.31
Gross Assets,	$29,639,680.49
Deduct items not admitted,	1,361,853.07
Admitted Assets,	$28,277,827.42

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 1,551,493.02
Unearned Premiums,	16,350,361.59
All other Liabilities,	1,025,000.00
Cash Capital,	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	7,350,972.91
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$28,277,827.42

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

Real Estate,	$ 36,500.00
Mortgage Loans,	285,400.00
Stocks and Bonds,	233,881.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	17,513.87
Agents' Balances,	17,490.66
Interest and Rents,	9,289.92
Gross Assets,	$600,075.45
Admitted Assets,	$600,075.45

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 2,256.25
Unearned Premiums,	222,371.97
All other Liabilities,	6,562.79
Surplus over all Liabilities,	368,884.44
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$600,075.45

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Mortgage Loans,	$185,500.00
Stocks and Bonds,	704,072.37
Cash in Office and Bank,	68,526.02
Agents' Balances,	120,689.67
Interest and Rents,	9,495.50
Gross Assets,	$1,088,284.57
Deduct items not admitted,	41,120.87
Admitted Assets,	$1,047,163.70

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 69,318.23
Unearned Premiums,	583,834.23
All other Liabilities,	66,070.26
Cash Capital,	250,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	277,940.33
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$1,047,163.70

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"Did you ever hear of jay birds roosting in corn—honest, now?" insisted Joe.

"Well, don't know's I ever did."

"All right; jay birds and calves are out of the question. Do you feel any breeze to rustle the corn?"

"N-no—b'lieve not," said Mr. Weston. He was being hemmed in and knew it. There never was a calmer night—not a breath of air stirring.

"Now the wind is out of the question too. Listen! Hear that?" They listened again.

"Sounds like the whisperin' in that big seashell when you hold it to your ear," said Mr. Weston.

"Ain't a thing in the world except the corn growing—leaves unfolding and rubbing against one another as they open—that makes that noise. So you can say that you've heard corn grow, even if you never saw it grow," suggested his son.

"Well, live an' learn!" his father responded.

"Hope to goodness we won't have a rain for about two or three weeks," said Joe. "That corn is fine, and if we have a nice, quiet, dry spell and no big wind the pollen will fall plentiful from the tassels to the silk, and the ears will be seeded plumb to the end, good fertile grains. Wet weather just at tasseling time is bad for corn. It is always better if the weather is dry and still."

"I've heard old farmers say that, but they didn't know the reason," said Mr. Weston.

"If there's much wet weather or wind about tasseling time the pollen from the tassels don't fall on the silk evenly. That is necessary to make a perfect grain. There's a strand of silk for each grain. Unless that strand gets pollen on it, no grain. Rain and wind wash the pollen away before it gets on all the silk."

"That makes nubby corn?" inquired his father. Joe nodded.

If the weather had been ordered especially for the corn it could not have been any finer. It was exactly three weeks until a gentle, slow rain fell one night.

"My crop's made; it's made!" rejoiced Joe when he arose the next morning. "Grain's all formed; now plenty of moisture to fill 'em out; crop's made, I tell you, and it's going to be a whale of a crop, believe me!"

"Looks like the season come just right," observed his mother.

"Couldn't be better," admitted Joe.

His effort at seed selection was bearing fruit. He had saved the seed from the stalks with the most ears on them, and in the crop coming on there was at least a third of the crop with three perfectly developed ears on each stalk, probably fifty stalks with four well developed ears and a half dozen which showed four good ears and a rudimentary ear which could in time be developed into a perfect ear.

Joe went through and marked all the five eared stalks with a red calico string, the four eared ones with a blue strip and the three eared ones with a white piece of cloth.

"I'm going to gather it all separately," he explained to his father. "These few stalks showing the five ear tendency I am going to plant off by themselves next year and develop them up, same way with the four ears. May plant the two together. I'm not certain now, but I want to breed that corn up to five good ears to the stalk."

"What about this here three ear corn?" inquired Mr. Weston.

"First I want to get enough of it for you to plant here on the place; then the rest of it I will sell for seed."

"What about the balance, Joe?"

"Feed the hogs with it."

"Why, Joe," protested Tom Ralston, "you could sell any of this corn for seed corn at a fancy price just because it came off this acre. You're foolish not to."

"Well, maybe I'll sort out the best ears from the two ear corn and sell it at a slight advance for the trouble in sorting it out, but I won't take any fancy price for it, because it ain't fancy corn. And I ain't particular anxious to sell it. It's worth as much to us for feed as the money is."

"I think you ought to be willing to sell it for seed corn, Joe," said his father. "It's fine, strong corn, better than any of this around here. It's bound to give good results, an' you'll help the farmers that want to get a good corn to plant."

"Oh, well, looking at it that way, I reckon it's sort of my duty to let it go. But just wait until I get me a five ear corn fixed. I'll get five and six dollars a bushel for it right along."

"How you going to carry on corn breeding if you are off at school?" inquired Tom Ralston.

"Better get the trip to the school first. But if I do go up there pa can do all that's needful next year. Plant on part of this acre the four ear and five ear corn. I'll pick the two most perfect ears to get seed from. Then, when the ears are matured, do as I have done—pick out the best and strongest stalks with the most ears on 'em and mark 'em. Then the next year I'll carry it on myself."

"What about the rest of that four ear corn?" inquired Mr. Weston.

"Sell it at $4 a bushel for seed after you have got all you want. Same way with the three ear—sell that at $3 a bushel."

"That patch out there ought to make a good crop of corn next year," reflected Mr. Weston.

"For goodness' sake, don't plant a stalk of corn in her except that stuff we are trying to breed up. Don't want any other corn any closer than that field below the hill. The pollen of that low grade corn will get mixed with this fine corn and set us back no telling how far."

"Oh, all right, then. But what shall we plant here?"

"That patch out there ought to make a good crop of corn."

"Break it early and sow cowpeas broadcast, thick as you can. Mix some corn in with 'em, say, half and half. When the corn gets almost to tasseling stage mow vines and all off for hay. Break it and turn everything under and drill corn in thick. Let it get high as your head, and cut that too. We'll need lots of provender. Guess it would be a good idea to plant cowpeas along with the second crop too."

"I was thinkin' of lettin' the oats mature next spring. We'll be needin' 'em," said his father.

"Well, that's all right. Oat stubble turned under is a help, and you can get a good crop of pea vine hay and young corn fodder off here after the oats. I expect that would be the best plan."

"I'll do that, then."

"Won't try truck next spring?" asked Tom.

"No, we'll be short handed, and it will be all Link an' me can do to keep the stock growin' fast an' get regular crops and such. I'll wait until Joe gets back."

"Say, I've been doing some studying too," said Tom Ralston as the three walked back toward the house from the corn plot. "Father subscribed to a good farm paper for me, and I've been reading it, and I found out about those oak leaves you've been putting on the land. Here's what it says." He pulled a clipping from his pocket.

"Le's see," said Joe, taking the bit of paper and reading it aloud.

"'When leaves are put on the land their chief value is from the humus they supply and not from the plant food they contain. One ton of oak leaves, according to Van Slyke, contains fifteen pounds of nitrogen, seven pounds of phosphoric acid and three pounds of potash. At current prices for plant foods those in a ton of oak leaves are worth about $3.50.'"

"Well, I'm glad to know about it," said Mr. Weston.

"Me, too," said Joe. "I know in a general way that leaves had some fertilizing value—not very much. But my idea was mainly to get humus—decaying vegetable matter—in the land. I know it was no account without it, so I just went to piling leaves on."

"Even at three-fifty a ton fertilizing value," said Tom Ralston, "it will not cost that to put the leaves on, and there's the additional benefit to the land in humus which is more than that sum."

"Anybody would know his daddy was a manufacturer the way he figgers!" said Mr. Weston admiringly.

"It's worth knowing," agreed Joe. "This winter I want pa and Link to haul all the leaves they can and bed the cattle in them. The dry leaves will absorb the urine salts and ammonia and droppings. Then put on the ground and plowed under there is no better manure to be had anywhere."

"I will see that that is done," said Mr. Weston. "Link has got to put in all his spare time on leaves. He's got a younger brother I think I'll hire just as soon as the leaves are off the trees. I'm going to treat that patch o' poor land just beyond yours, Joe. It's so poor it won't hardly grow bitterweed."

"Well, you know what to do."

"Sure I do, and we'll do it."

"Think I'll put those two colored boys over home to work on the leaves too," said Tom Ralston. "Major Dean claimed he had to buy so much commercial fertilizer until there wasn't any more money in farming. He's just farmed that place so long, without giving the soil anything back, that it's wearing out."

"The major sure was a big believer in commercial fertilizer," said Mr. Weston.

"Well, I'm going to see if we can't farm with less of it when I have charge, and a good way is to get a year's start now. I'll have a shed built and give orders that every speck of manure about that lot goes under that shed to protect it from the weather. Then this fall it is to be plowed under and keep that program up."

"It will win," said Joe.

"Look here, Joe," said Tom. "If you go off to that agricultural school I'm afraid I'll get all mixed up here. I'm just beginning to learn something."

"Why don't you go if I do?" suggested Joe. "Your father is able to stand the expense."

"I never thought of it. You'll help me get through with things that are too deep for me yet?"

"Sure I will!" assured Joe.

"I'll write father this very night!" enthusiastically said Tom Ralston.

"Well, where do I come in?" inquired Mr. Weston.

"Oh, I'll write you twice a week of what I learn up there and send you all the bulletins that are of any value to us down here! I can help a heap that way. Now that you can read all right and have got that dictionary to look up any words that bother you, why, you can keep up with us right along."

"I promise I'll study faithful," said Mr. Weston. "It's goin' to be powerful lonesome here for me—nobody to talk to about crops an' the cattle at night."

"Good chance for you to get on the inside of this canning business of ma's and lay plans for helping her next summer. You ain't goin' to have time to worry about being lonesome in."

"N-no, I reckon not," mused Mr. Weston. "In fact, I sorter feel scared at the outlook. There's so blame much to do, with all the stock an' pigs an' keepin' the crops goin', an' you've done a man's share all the time."

"Well, cutting out the truck and the prize corn crop next year will cut down work. Oh, you'll get through all right!"

"Yes, I just got ter," said Mr. Weston. "But, Joe, you don't seem like my little boy. You an' me has got to be plumb pardners in every way. It was through you I got out o' that rut I was in an' was keepin' you all in, an' you've just gone right ahead, an' I've been keepin' up as best I could, bein' sort o' slow witted an' shy on education. But I shore will miss you, boy." His eyes were suspiciously moist.

"I'll miss you too, daddy; miss you like fury. And out of all those best farmers in the world I'll see up there at that school I wouldn't trade one of 'em for my old dad. Hear that?"

Mr. Weston brightened and patted his son on the back.

"I know it's goin' to be a big help when you get back, an' we'll learn a whole lot more, but all the same"—he shook his head doggedly—"it's goin' to be powerful lonesome an' hard to stand."

CHAPTER XVI.
Joe Raises Record Crop.

THE summer flew by with incredible swiftness. There came, gradually, gently, a soft haze in the atmosphere. The distant hills were enshrouded in purple. In the woods there were a few first yellow leaves on the gum trees. There was crimson on the sumach bushes along the fence rows and a glint of goldenrod in the fields and thickets.

The weather was dry, and a faint touch of coolness in the evenings and the whispering rustle of dying grasses stirred by the breeze gave hints of the fast approaching fall. In the cornfields the leaves on the stalks had withered to dryness, and the ears were bending downward, laden to the full with grain. Thus was seen another wise precaution of Nature to protect the precious kernels. In this way rain and moisture were shed from the ear instead of running down inside and rotting the corn. Every night Joe learned something new as he studied in his room.

Joe and his father and Tom Ralston made an examination one day in mid-September. They pronounced the grain fully cured and ready to gather.

"Guess we'd better make arrangements to have some witnesses here, hadn't we?" asked Joe.

"Reckon we had. We'll invite Squire Allen to come over an' make the affydavies. I'll get Bill Tomlinson and Henry Wilson to come an' weigh an' check it," said Mr. Weston. "We'll kill a plenty of chickens an' have a chicken dinner fot 'em. Get your ma to make a good potpie an' fried chicken an' such."

"That'll be fine, and you and me and Link and Tom can gather the corn. It will be pretty slow work. Remember, there's really four grades of corn in that patch, and we've got to keep 'em all separate," said Joe.

"Well, we'll have to figger it up by weight rather than by measure, then," said Mr. Weston. "The squire has got a pair of steelyards, an' we'll let him do the weighin' so there can't be any question whatever about the total."

"All right, pa. Le's ride over this evening and invite 'em for Tuesday."

"Suits me," said Mr. Weston.

Joe went with them and presented his record of expenditures; then returned to the field, where he and Link and Tom and Mr. Weston began gathering up the shucks to be stored for feed and bedding for the cattle in the winter time. After awhile the squire called from the front porch and beckoned Joe to come there. Joe and his father went up, accompanied by Tom, to hear the verdict.

"Well, Joe," said the squire, "we've been over all this mighty careful. Each man has added it and agreed on the total. Each man has divided it into bushels, an' our figgers tally. Then we went over the expense an' figgered that out, too, an' applied it pro rata per bushel."

"Yes, sir," said Joe, a lump in his throat. "What does it make?"

"You've done a plumb ree-markable thing. You've made two hundred an' thirty-three bushels o' corn on that acre," announced the squire impressively. "I wouldn't 'a' believed it unless I seen it an' weighed it, but that's what it is. The figgers are right, an' the weights are right."

"That's just bully!" said Joe, with glowing eyes. "I did not think it would run that high."

"Beats anything I ever seen!" exclaimed Tomlinson.

"But what about the cost?" inquired Joe anxiously.

"Well, sir, accordin' to the ree-cords, you've made this here corn at a cost of $13\frac{1}{2}$ cents a bushel!"

Joe threw his hat in the air and gave a yell of joy, in which he was joined by Tom.

"I would have been tickled to death to have done it on from sixteen to twenty!" he exulted. "They can't beat me to save their lives! I've got 'em beat!"

"Looks like it to me!" enthused Mr. Weston.

To be continued.

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Statements of a Few Companies Represented

U. S. BRANCH
ROYAL INSURANCE CO., Ltd., OF LIVERPOOL, ENG.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$4,370,343.62
Mortgage Loans,	200,100.00
Stocks and Bonds,	6,594,985.43
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,108,530.30
Agents' Balances,	1,581,488.06
Interest and Rents,	99,633.06
All other Assets,	154,361.19
Gross Assets,	$14,109,441.66
Deduct items not admitted,	349,191.37
Admitted Assets,	$13,760,250.29

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 962,529.89
Unearned Premiums,	8,590,160.16
All Other Liabilities,	295,005.52
Cash Capital,	560,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	3,352,554.72
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$13,760,250.29

PENNSYLVANIA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO., 806 LAFAYETTE BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

Mortgage Loans,	$ 63,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	552,363.75
Cash in Office and Bank,	110,923.12
Agents' Balances,	27,735.40
Interest Accrued,	9,084.97
All other Assets,	13,116.25
Gross Assets,	$785,222.08
Deduct items not admitted,	5,258.88
Admitted Assets,	$779,963.80

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 5,816.25
Unearned Premiums,	246,702.39
All other Liabilities,	7,781.21
Surplus over all Liabilities,	519,573.95
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$779,963.80

3-16-3t—F.

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO., OF NEW YORK, 92-94 LIBERTY ST., 97-103 CEDAR ST., NEW YORK CITY.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915

Real Estate,	$1,318,853.45
Stocks and Bonds,	9,563,368.94
Cash in Office and Bank,	389,855.26
Premiums in Course of Collection,	1,783,511.12
Interest and Rents,	96,787.26
All other Assets,	245,984.61
Gross Assets,	$13,398,340.64
Deduct items not admitted,	671,940.00
Admitted Assets,	$12,726,400.64

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915

Net Unpaid Losses,	$3,008,015.79
Unearned Premiums,	4,831,630.71
All other Liabilities,	1,487,212.53
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	2,399,541.61
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$12,726,400.64

3-16-3t—F.

GLENS FALLS INSURANCE COMPANY, GLENS FALLS, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$ 247,419.79
Mortgage Loans,	1,699,300.00
Collateral Loans,	200,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	2,619,071.60
Cash in Office and Bank,	655,873.95
Agents' Balances,	400,979.85
Interest and Rents,	31,274.53
Gross Assets,	$5,862,919.72
Deduct items not admitted,	2,073.28
Admitted Assets,	$5,859,846.44

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 233,931.09
Unearned Premiums,	2,625,838.07
All other Liabilities,	245,867.08
Cash Capital,	500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	2,254,210.20
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$5,859,846.44

3-16-3t—F.

TAKE THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN FOR ALL THE HOME NEWS.

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON & GLOBE INS. CO., Ltd., OF ENGLAND, U. S. Branch, 80 Williams St. N. Y. City

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$1,064,728.67
Mortgage Loans,	2,776,464.00
Stocks and Bonds,	6,692,596.23
Cash in Office and Bank,	1,659,988.32
Agents' Balances,	2,462,586.89
Bills Receivable,	24,649.73
Interest and Rents,	106,590.87
All other Assets,	1,928.44
Gross Assets,	$15,389,533.15
Deduct items not admitted,	$575,140.21
Admitted Assets,	$14,814,383.94

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$1,076,278.24
Unearned Premiums,	8,445,645.65
All other Liabilities,	450,572.86
Surplus over all Liabilities,	4,841,887.19
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$14,814,383.94

THE CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE CO., HARTFORD, CONN.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Mortgage Loans,	$ 759,000.00
Collateral Loans,	30,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	5,343,911.66
Cash in Office and Bank,	626,146.66
Agents' Balances,	456,298.32
Bills Receivable,	69,552.10
Interest and Rents,	80,427.94
All other Assets,	15,689.67
Gross Assets,	$7,381,026.35
Deduct items not admitted,	$462,091.27
Admitted Assets,	$6,918,935.08

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 287,706.28
Unearned Premiums,	3,956,650.35
All other Liabilities,	110,100.00
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,564,478.45
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$6,918,935.08

ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.

Real Estate,	$ 173,186.38
Stocks and Bonds,	3,000,503.81
Cash in Office and Bank,	588,556.45
Agents' Balances,	330,135.43
Bills Receivable,	833.33
Interest and Rents,	46,292.95
All other Assets,	42,481.00
Gross Assets,	$4,181,989.35
Deduct items not admitted,	314,321.72
Admitted Assets,	$3,867,667.63

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Net Unpaid Losses,	$ 127,790.43
Unearned Premiums,	1,587,509.15
All other Liabilities,	37,925.87
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	1,114,442.18
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$3,867,667.63

3-16-3t—F.

GENERAL INDEMNITY CORPORATION OF AMERICA, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC 31, 1915.

Bonds, (Book Value),	$341,120.01
Cash in Office and Bank,	35,771.93
Bills Receivable, (Premiums in course of collection,)	3,416.29
Interest accrued on Bonds,	4,886.80
Gross Assets,	$385,195.03
Admitted Assets,	$385,195.03

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.

Unearned Premiums,	$ 57,654.23
All other Liabilities, (Reserved for Taxes),	1,308.71
Cash Capital,	200,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	126,232.14
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	$385,195.08

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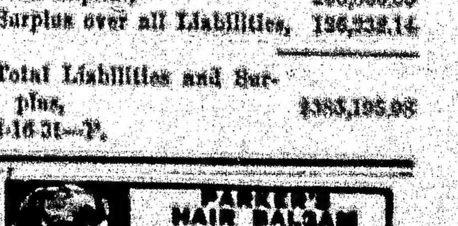

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On the reverse side of this tidy red tin you will read: "Process Patented July 30th, 1907," which has made three men smoke pipes where one smoked before!

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mrs. Fred Bean and Mrs. Freeborn Bean of East Bethel were guests of Mrs. Edmund Merrill, Friday.

Mrs. Robert Bisbee of New Bedford, Mass., was called to Bethel last week by the illness of Mr. Horace Andrews.

In regard to the budget committee or Committee of Twelve, a similar committee was chosen at our last town meeting, the Brunswick Record says:

"Businesslike Brunswick takes the lead among Maine towns in the management of municipal affairs in several ways, but one of the most noteworthy of its methods is found in the work performed by the 'Committee of Twelve.' Other towns have committees whose functions are similar, but few in Maine have a body of men who do their work in so careful and complete a manner as does this body of Brunswick business men. The duties performed by the 'Committee of Twelve' are not only advantageous, but after being performed once will be regarded as necessary in the management of the affairs of any town. This committee meets just prior to annual town meeting and carefully makes up a budget. A public meeting is held and the requirements for the next municipal year are carefully considered. Recommendations are made for appropriations with a determination if possible to keep the tax rate at a fixed point. The recommendations are printed and copies are in the hands of the voters' town meeting day. The committee has listened to the requests of citizens from every section of the town and has made a financial estimate and report so that the voters can act intelligently. The figuring has been done in advance so that if the town desires to raise the tax rate it is done with knowledge aforethought and there is no occasion for future complaining. By this method, affairs are most carefully looked after, every need has consideration, and unlike places which have no such committee, citizens whose articles asking for appropriations come towards the end of the warrant, can feel assurance that attention has been given them without the town haphazardly creating its list of expenditures for the coming year, which is the case in a greater or less degree when appropriations are made first hand by the voters en-masse."

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas William N. Anderson of Freeport, Cumberland County, State of Maine, by his mortgage deed dated the 12th of June, 1908, and recorded in the W. D. Oxford Registry of Deeds, in said State, Book 104, Page 110, conveyed to Benjamin F. Conant of said Freeport, a certain parcel of real estate situated in Fryeburg, in the County of Oxford and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of land of Eldora C. Lord, thence westerly twenty-four (24) rods to a stake or stone; thence southerly twenty-four (24) rods to a stake or stone; thence easterly to the County road leading from East Fryeburg to Denmark; thence northerly to the point of beginning.

Also all the land on the easterly side of the County road leading from East Fryeburg to Denmark. The same being a portion of the land conveyed to Eli H. Witham and Betsey L. Witham by Elmer A. Harnden by his deed dated Sept. 19th, A. D. 1903, and recorded in W. D. Oxford Registry of Deeds, Book 92, Page 165, to which deed reference is made for a more particular description.

Reserving and excepting the small building on the easterly side of said road, formerly used as a blacksmith shop; and whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken;

Whereas the said Benjamin F. Conant is deceased and Edgar W. Conant, the undersigned, was duly appointed administrator of the said Benjamin F. Conant by the Probate Court for the County of Cumberland in said State on July 14, 1915; and is now acting as such administrator:

Now therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage.

Freeport, Me., Feb. 21, 1916.

EDGAR W. CONANT,
Administrator of the estate of said Benjamin F. Conant.

3-9-3t.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas Byron H. Bradeen and Mary M. Bradeen, then of Brownfield in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, did, on the twenty-eighth day of September, A. D. 1901, by their mortgage deed of that date, duly executed and recorded in Oxford Western District Registry of Deeds, in Book 83, Page 545, convey to one Loring R. Giles the following described real estate, viz.

"A certain lot or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Brownfield and bounded northerly by land of Carl C. Blake, easterly by land of William W. Spring, southerly by land of Abbie R. Cressey, and westerly by the Dugway road so called. Also another parcel of land on the westerly side of said Dugway road, and bounded on one side by said road, and on all other sides by land of Carl C. Blake and Nahun Clough, the above parcels of land and buildings comprise the homestead farm of the late Nancy Mason Perry. Also another parcel of land (meadow) situated in said Brownfield, and is the west half of lot numbered six (6) on the west side of Saco River, and is a part of what is called the Spring lot containing six and one quarter (6 1-4) acres, more or less. Meaning hereby to mortgage deed said Giles the same land that he this day deeded us, for further description, see deed of Lytton P. Chandler to Loring R. Giles, which is recorded in Western Oxford Registry of Deeds, Book 87, Page 126."

And whereas said mortgage was thereafterward, to wit, on the 5th day of August, 1910, duly assigned to me, the subscriber, by Erwin G. Giles, administrator of the goods and estate, which were of said Loring R. Giles, who was then deceased, by his written assignment thereof, duly recorded in said Registry in Book 83, Page 545; and whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken:

Now, therefore, I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage by reason of the breach of its conditions, in accordance with the statute in such case made and provided.

Porter, Maine, March 6th, 1916.

JOHN C. BRADEEN.

3-9-3t.

FORD'S PEACE PARTY.

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make the expedition as effective as possible. We were spectacular, but we advertised peace throughout the world. Thousands of interested men and women joined with us in the European countries. I believe the war will be shortened as a result of the Ford Peace Pilgrimage; for people everywhere, even in the trenches, are seriously discussing means of arriving at a permanent peace; and though they may refuse to give credit to our enterprise, yet that is unimportant. It is, nevertheless, indisputable, that the peace boom has been growing constantly since the Oscar II sailed from New York on December 4. That fact is enough—it is not necessary to prove the reason for it.

Deal, England.

This harbor is a singularly appropriate place in which to write some of the impressions resulting from our four weeks sojourn in Europe.

Warnemunde recalls moments that were fantastic and wierd. It was the point of entrance from Denmark into Germany. Our party had heard so many things about the dreadful ways of the Germans that we were apt a little surprised when the officers moved their position from the approach of the boat gangway to a nearby shelter in order that we might escape the rain which was falling. Perhaps we were all a little timid, for although the Ford Peace Party had been granted the privilege of traveling through Germany to Holland, yet we had received no assurances that we would be extended any special consideration. Colonel Henry, a former Confederate veteran from Mississippi, with true military instinct, saluted the principal German officer and said: "Hi, there!" The Kaiser's guard responded and smiled as he did so. We handed over our transports and boarded the waiting train. The windows were not frosted, as we were told they would be; the shades were not drawn; there were no watchful soldiers to pry into our movements. In fact those who expected to be compelled to submit to oppressive militarism were doomed to disappointment. We had a Major aboard, who in times of peace had been a banker and was familiar with New York. There was also a Lieutenant. Their mission seemed to concern our comfort alone.

The train started on its way across Germany, and nothing unusual happened. A splendid dinner was served. The menu was liberal but not wasteful. Black bread, sliced thin, was passed to each of us, but none was left on the table. On Tuesdays and Fridays of each week no meat is eaten in Germany, and as our journey was made on one of these days, we were furnished a fare of soup, fish, egg omelet, and a nice variety of vegetables. This was followed by a simple dessert and coffee. Those who wished were free to buy beer or Rhine wine. There are placards in all eating places in Germany warning the people not to waste food, but for some reason these cards had been carefully removed from our train. At Hamburg and other points we saw significant placards warning soldiers to be careful about speaking to strangers, assigning as a reason that they might be spies.

Sleeping car accommodations were provided for nearly all except the younger members of our party. It was explained that wounded soldiers required nearly every available car of this kind, whereupon any complaint from those in the day coaches was forestalled—and I think those of us who had been more fortunate would have been glad to forego the added comforts we had received.

We left Warnemunde, by the sea, at about four o'clock in the afternoon, and soon we were passing through small towns, which were only half lighted. Hamburg was reached by half past eight, and as far as we could observe its affairs were moving normally. There were soldiers in plenty, and a few citizens, and they waved their helmets or hats, or beckoned in other friendly ways, to show us that their feelings were those of good will. At Hamburg I received my most vivid impression of the horror and tragedies of war: There were hundreds, perhaps thousands of cars, displaying the large white and red emblem of the Red Cross.

Bremen and Lubec were passed, and we were reminded by expectant Americans that we should "just wait and see what happens to you at the border." And so we snatched what sleep we might, for our German train could not leave the country, and therefore at half past two in the morning we were due to pass final inspection in Germany, and board a new train across the Holland border. Mysterious unfounded rumors passed through the train that our baggage in the cars ahead was being searched, and that our handbags and persons would come next. We were "promised" every possible humiliation—but all by Americans. In dreaded expectancy we were herded into the big station at Bentheim. After a short walk we were told that every formality would be omitted, and that we might proceed upon our way. Dear Old Doctor Jenkin Lloyd Jones spoke a brief word of thanks, and appreciation of the courtesies we had received from the German authorities, and the Kaiser's Lieutenant responded with a nice little "peace speech," concluding by wishing us all success for our expedition, and good luck as individuals.

And as we crossed the border into Holland, completing a journey filled with expectancy, but really quite uneventful. Imagine our surprise, when later we read in English papers, long and sensational stories of the indignities heaped upon us by German military authorities. The popular English expression as we learned it, was to the effect that the Ford party was pro German. Had they actually believed this to be true they would undoubtedly have attempted to bolster up the claim by recounting the many instances of true courtesies shown us in Germany. However, the fact that their newspapers treated the matter as they did, indicated that they entertained a better opinion of the Peace Pilgrims than they were willing to admit. The result was that while pretending to have sympathy for us, they really used the incident to stir up further sentiment against their enemies.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

GILEAD.

Eddie Holder has gone to work for G. E. Leighton.

Fred Ordway is on the sick list.

Gilbert Losier has finished working for his cousin, Larry Losier.

Ralph Saunders of Claremont, N. H., has been visiting in town for a few days.

John Le'Bretton of Berlin, N. H., was in town last Monday.

A. B. Bryant has returned from Mechanic Falls after visiting relatives for a few days.

Dr. J. A. Twaddle of Bethel was in town last Monday.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Miss Hazel Kenniston of Lovell, Miss Ruth Elliott of North Waterford and Miss Nina Briggs called at C. H. Fernald's last Friday.

Miss Irene Briggs returned to her home, Saturday, after spending a few days with relatives and friends at Bethel and West Bethel.

Lester Swan went to Locke's Mills, Saturday, returning Monday to his work.

Miss Mildred Bugg is working at South Waterford for Mrs. Muller.

Miss Nina Briggs is spending her vacation at her home.

BETHEL LIBRARY.

New Books Recently Added.

Purchased by the Bethel Library Association:

Closed Doors,
Margaret Prescott Montague
The First Hundred Thousand, Ian Hay
Ireland's Vital Hour, Arthur Lynch
West Point in Our Next War,
W. V. L. Woodhull

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If a young man's cake is "dough" he can easily find a girl who is willing to take the cake.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO READ THE ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE OX.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Born March 6, to the wife of Ernest Bennett, a daughter.

Mrs. Lewis Leavitt and her mother, Mrs. Sargent, of Magalloway visited Mrs. Joseph Hart, Wednesday.

M. C. Linnell and son have gone to Colebrook, N. H.

Myer Epstein has been in town with a useful line of goods.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. D. C. Bennett, Wednesday. Refreshments of cake, coffee and custard pie were served.

Lawrence Littlehale, with a crew of men, has gone up the lake to boom Hamlin Bros. logs.

Ernest Bennett, J. W. York and D. Cameron have gone to South Paris to attend court this week.

Saves Boy from Grave

Mrs. Jennie Bowen of Meredith, N. H., writes this kind of letter: "You have helped my little boy. He would have been in his grave before long." Some symptoms of worms are: Deranged stomach, swollen upper lip, sour stomach, offensive breath, hard and full belly with occasional gripings and pains about the navel, pale face of leaden tint, eyes heavy and dull, twitching eyelids, itching of the nose, itching of the rectum, short dry cough, grinding of the teeth, little red points sticking out on tongue, starting during sleep, slow fever.

If you have the least suspicion that your child is troubled with stomach worms or pinworms, put him on the road to good health by using Dr. True's Elixir, the Family Laxative and Worm Expeller. This remedy has been on the market for over 60 years. Good for adults also. At all dealers', 35c, 50c and $1.00. Advice free.

Auburn, Maine. Dr. True

SONGO POND.

Mrs. Geo. Hapgood called at Ed. McPhee's, Sunday.

Ora Bennett of West Bethel is hauling pulp to meadow bridge for F. H. Bennett.

Mrs. Sara Saunders and baby, Elmo, called at Frank Emery's, Sunday.

Master Harold Nutting is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Geo. Hapgood, for a while.

Messrs. Jim Holman and Mr. Wesley of West Bethel are hauling timber from Kilgore's mill to Bethel for F. L. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Beckler attended Grange at South Paris last Tuesday.

PILLS BEST FOF LIVER

Because they contain the best liver medicines, no matter how bitter or nauseating for the sweet sugar coating hides the taste. Dr. King's New Life Pills contain ingredients that put the liver working, move the bowels freely. No gripe, no nausea, aid digestion. Just try a bottle of Dr. King's New Life Pills and notice how much better you feel. 25c at your Druggist. Adv.

WORLD'S LEADING TOBACCO TOWN.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Now Manufactures More Tobacco Than Any Other City in the World.

Following are extracts from an address delivered by Col. A. D. Watts, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Fifth District of North Carolina, at a smoker given by The Twin City Club, Winston-Salem, February 4, 1916:

"Some Comparisons

"Winston-Salem is supplying one-fourth of all the chewing and smoking tobacco consumed in the United States, besides exporting vast quantities to foreign lands. This statement is taken from the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the first quarter of the present fiscal year and from private advices from Washington, as to the second quarter, which ended December 31, last.

"Your city is making one-seventh of all tobacco products—chewing and smoking tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff—manufactured in the United States. Your manufacturers are paying on an average about $37,000 a day revenue taxes to the government and the amount is increasing from month to month. When your government building, much the handsomest in the State, was completed last July at a cost of $250,000 your newspapers made the statement that the taxes paid in your city to Uncle Sam for the past eight days of its occupancy would pay for it. Since September, it has taken only a fraction over seven average days collections here to equal its cost. So far this week, Mr. Cranford has taken in $200,428.50. I predict that before 1916 shall have ended your average weekly payments to the government on tobacco will more than pay for this magnificent building, leaving the collections for the other fifty-one weeks as clear profit to the government.

"Tobacco Shipments.

"Winston-Salem is shipping on an average each day to all parts of this country and to foreign lands at least $150,000 of tobacco products.

"In conclusion, Winston-Salem manufactures more tobacco, all tobacco products are taken into this statment, than any other city on earth, little or big. Industrially, she is easily first in North Carolina, population considered, first in America, and I believe, in the world; socially, a never failing delight to her friends."

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas Luther C. Moody and Hannah M. Moody, then of Porter in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, did, on the second day of May, A. D. 1908, by their mortgage deed of that date, duly executed by them and recorded in Oxford Western District Registry of Deeds in Book 91, Page 512, convey in mortgage to me, the subscriber, certain parcels of land situated part on the North and part on the South side of the road leading from the "Old County Road" to the "Brownfield Road" in the said town of Porter, being the homestead farm now owned by the said Hannah M. Moody in said Porter, and being the same conveyed to John Douglass, father of the said Hannah M. Moody by Dennis Stanley, by his deed dated October 18th, 1847, and recorded in Oxford Western District Registry of Deeds in Book 27, Page 220, and by Michael Varney by deed dated November 29th, 1854, recorded in said Registry in Book 30, Page 80, and by George Stacy by deed dated September 26th, 1861, recorded in said Registry, Book 43, Page 276, and the same land described in deed from Elisha and Seth Stanley to John Douglass and Alva H. Stewart recorded in said Registry, Book 60, Page 210, the interest of said Stewart being conveyed to said Douglass by deed recorded in said Registry, Book 59, Page 75, and by Ebenezer H. Norton by deed recorded in said Registry, Book 51 Page 508, and by James Pearl 2nd, by deed recorded in said Registry, Book 61, Page 553.

And whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken:

Now, therefore, I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage, on account of breach of its conditions.

Porter, Maine, March 6th, 1916.

JOHN C. BRADEEN.

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